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TOWN TALK

Coming soon – really: Rangoons by the rail

Save some room for fortune cookies.

Plans for a Chinese restaurant at 17 Railroad St. are still cooking, says Patty Craft, health agent for the town. Town employees have been working with restaurant owner Yuemao Xu, who is taking steps to open a restaurant near the train station.

Xu did not return a phone call to the *Townsmen* to predict an opening date, and the building owner's lawyer, Dan Hayes, says he could not get in touch with his client.

Zoning and planning permits for the take-out and eat-in restaurant were approved last December and February, says Planner Paul Materazzo. Since then, owner Railroad Street LLC has renovated the former auto-repair garage and painted parking lines. Xu, who is leasing the property, plans to call her restaurant Teatone, says Craft.

—Rebecca Piro

Back on the bus

On the first day of school, Sept. 6, the town manager and school superintendent again will be riding a school bus to school.

"It's been going on for as many years as I can remember," said Laura Ridley, the superintendent's office assistant. "It's part of the excitement of the opening of school."

PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Side-splitting Shakespeare—It's no joke. Andover Youth Services will hold its third Shakespeare in the skate park production this Monday. Story in Arts.



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

PTO leaders Diane Hender and Diane Costagliola have convinced the schools to try serving healthier items at a lunchroom snack bar.

A *chip* on their shoulders

Parents look to toss snack chips, more from school lunch; South will try it out

By Adam Groff

Down with Doritos! Faced with continuing pressure from local parent groups to provide more healthful offerings in the lunchroom, school food services director Karen Pappa has decided to give parent suggestions a trial run this fall, at South Elementary School. She will cut down the number of menu offerings and dramatically reduce the number of snack foods available to these elementary students.

Parent-teacher organization leaders have had running concerns about high-fat and high-sodium snack foods, like potato chips and cookies, that are available in the lunch line for an extra charge in all Andover schools. They also say the main courses that are offered are not nutritious enough.

"We teach one thing in health classes," said Townwide PTO moderator Diane Hender, referring to the importance of a balanced diet that de-emphasizes salty and sugary foods, "but we're practicing something different. It sends a mixed message."

Early in June, PTO leaders sent Pappa a letter suggesting that there are too many unhealthy choices that appear repeatedly on the school lunch menu, such as mozzarella sticks, french fries, chicken nuggets, pizza and hot dogs. They asked her to

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Operating without equipment

Andover doctor returns to Romania to help their kids

By Adam Groff

Anesthesiologist Harohalli Vijayakumar of Bailey Road performs his job with the assistance of lots of high-tech equipment. However, during a medical mission to Romania last year, he witnessed brain surgery being performed with no monitoring equipment, save for a blood-pressure cuff. Next month, Vijayakumar is bringing those doctors an anesthesia monitor.

The donation will be part of the third medical mission in three years sponsored by the Rotary Club of Andover and headed by North Andover plastic surgeon George Chatson. In 1999, Chatson led a group to Colombia, and last year, he went to Romania; both times, the mission was to perform plastic surgery on underprivileged children with a cleft lip, cleft palate, or severe scars from burns to their face or hands.

Vijayakumar remembers warming IV bags on radiators, and keeping a three-month-old baby warm during surgery with a hair dryer placed under the sheet covering him.

Vijayakumar went last year for the first time, to assist the primary anesthesiologist; this year, he will be the director of anesthesia.

"I've always wanted to go on a mission," says Vijayakumar, "but most are too long." Through working with Chatson at Holy Family Hospital, he learned of the

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PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Harohalli Vijayakumar and daughter Gowri will soon make a medical mission to Romania.

South Church to expand?

When South Church members recently found themselves forced to hold a meeting in an elevator lobby for lack of space, they realized something had to be done.

As a result, South Church may soon become the next in a long line of Andover houses of worship expanding to meet the needs of growing congregations. "The time has come," says David Keene, a member of the church's board of trustees.

South Church members are having difficulty stuffing all 360 Sunday-school students into available classroom space. "We're no different from anybody else," says Keene. "It's a great problem to have."

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Web question

Better nutrition, fewer snack choices at schools. Your take?

Last week's *Townsmen* Web-site question was: Is it a worthwhile investment to have Norah McCarthy as principal of the new middle school a whole year before it opens?

Out of 54 respondents:

- 15 people, or 28 percent, said, "Yes. It is important to have someone from the school department devoted exclusively to preparing to open these schools."

- 2 people, or 4 percent, said, "Yes. We need someone else out there to keep an eye on things. Remember the High School project?"

- 11 people, or 20 percent, said, "No. We face a budget override next year, and another principal salary cannot be justified under those circumstances."

- 25 people, or 46 percent, said,

"No. Even if we had a budget surplus, this would be an unnecessary expenditure."

- 1 person, or 2 percent, said, "Other."

This week's question: Do you think the pilot food services program at South School this fall, which will remove most snacks and add a salad bar, is a good idea?

- Yes, I am very pleased that food services is being responsive to parents' concerns about nutrition.

- It's a good idea, but I don't think it will work; elementary-school kids won't eat the salad.

- It's fine, but I don't really mind how the lunch program is now.

- No, I like having, or I like that my child has, all the choices that are currently offered.

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No cancellations honored after these deadlines.

IN BRIEF

Andover High School's fall sports information

The word is out on when the tryouts and first practices will be for Andover High School fall sports teams for both girls and boys. See page 32.

Call to make ends meet

People having trouble making ends meet may call Project Bread's FoodSource Hotline for information on free and low-cost food resources and confidential food-stamp eligibility screening. The hotline is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to at least 5 p.m. On Thursday nights it is open until 8. On Saturday it's available 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call 1-800-645-8333.

Senior clinics on tap

A mini health clinic for seniors is being held on Monday, Aug. 13 at Andover Commons from 1 to 2 p.m.

The clinic will also be held on Monday, Aug. 27 from 1 to 2 p.m. at Frye Circle. In addition, clinics will be held at the Andover Senior Center on Wednesdays during the month of August (Aug. 8, 15, 22, 29).

No appointment is necessary. For more information, call the Andover Health Department at 978-623-8295.

Title V seminar planned

Two meetings are planned for homeowners wishing to obtain updated information about the inspection procedures regarding Title V requirements for septic-system inspections.

The first meeting is Thursday, Aug. 16 at 7 p.m. at the Salem Access TV conference room, 285 Derby St., Salem, Mass. Another meeting is set for Thursday, Aug. 30, also at 7 p.m. and at the Salem location.

This 90-minute class costs \$10 per family and is run by Dan Tremblay, a Massachusetts-licensed health agent.

Inspection procedures, costs, tax credits, and information about how to obtain a certificate of compliance will be discussed.

Call Tremblay at 978-777-2711 to register.

Gold's makeover of Silverado begins

The architect in charge of the makeover at the new Gold's Gym on Main Street was in town last week to map out his plans.

Rudy Fabiano of Fabiano Designs International, a health club architectural firm based in Montclair, N.J., said the "small, maze feel" of the club will soon be history.

Gold's Gym Executive Health and Fitness is located on two floors at 10-12 Main St. where Silverado Athletic Club used to be. Gold's took over Silverado on Aug. 1.

He says members can expect a brighter, boutique-like atmosphere along with some new equipment.

"We plan to expose the brick and give it a New York-loft look. We work on hundreds of health clubs and this is one of the nicest spaces we have seen," Fabiano said. "But the concept is dated. We will open things up, add some arches and lighting and get people motivated to work out."

Even though the club now has become co-ed, it will be a "soft gym, not a hard-core gym," Fabiano said. Silverado was for women only.

Fabiano is also renovating Gold's Gyms in Methuen, Tewksbury and Chelmsford.

— Judy Wakefield

Andover man wins third Yankee race

What can you accomplish in 15 minutes, 58 seconds? If you are 1995 Andover High graduate Matt Ely you could finish the 3.1-mile Yankee Homecoming Race in Newburyport — and win, for the third year in a row.

The number of participants in the five-kilometer race increased 60 percent since last year, pitting Ely against an additional 600 competitors. Race officials found themselves handing out numbers written on scraps of paper in order to compensate for the surge of 5K racers. But with his parents and former graduates cheering him on, Ely finished 10 seconds ahead of the second-place finisher.

With no special training regi-

ment and no particular racing strategy, Ely considers his success fortunate. "I'm running just because I like it. (And because) it's been such a big part of my life for the past 11-12 years."

The former UMass Amherst miler is training to see, "how close I can get to running four minutes (in the mile) before I break down." The road race offers "a good change of pace," other than typical interval workouts on the track, he says.

Currently Ely is the assistant distance coach at James Madison University in Norfolk, Va., where he is working towards his doctorate in biomechanics.

— Kristen Munson

Meehan to Lucent: sell facility, keep workers

Keep the union and the workers' current contract.

That is the bottom-line advice from Fifth District Congressman Marty Meehan, who sent a letter to the chairman of Lucent Technologies this week.

Lucent, which just announced a mammoth job reduction at its huge North Andover facility, known as Merrimack Valley Works, is looking to sell that facility — a move that would affect hundreds in the area.

Lucent may sell to a contract manufacturer and Meehan "strongly urges Lucent to provide for the retention and migration of union recognition and the current

contract between the union and Lucent" if the deal goes through.

Meehan went on to say that he believes "there is a profitable use of the MVW facility that provides decent wages and benefits for employees and maintains a commitment to Merrimack Valley."

Meehan sent the letter to Henry B. Schacht, chairman and CEO of Lucent, based in Murray Hill, N.J.

— Judy Wakefield

A smoking Web site

Tobacco-control programs throughout Northeast Massachusetts have launched a Web site <www.tobaccofreenetwork.org> to connect community members with their local efforts in tobacco control.

Quote, unquote . . .

IS WHAT'S BEING COVERED being covered because it's news, or because it will increase profit?

— Andover High School social studies teacher Mary Robb on the kind of questions she wants to raise with students in her class on media and democracy this fall. (Story, page 19)

THEY DO GOOD WORK, considering the availability of equipment.

— Andover anesthesiologist Harohalli Vijayakumar on the Romanian doctors he witnessed last year performing brain surgery with a blood pressure cuff as their sole piece of monitoring equipment. (Story, page 1)

I DON'T WANT TO SEE RICE and beans for a while.

— Heather Finn, 16, referring to the sole cuisine available to her during a month-long community service trip to Costa Rica. (Story, page 7)

News Calendar**Thursday, Aug. 9**

Council on Aging, mission statement sub-committee, 36 Bartlet St., 7:30 a.m.

Advisory Board Health Community Tobacco Awareness Program, 20 Main St., second floor, 11 a.m.

Zoning Board of Appeals, continued public hearing on Wild Rose Estates, Town Offices, third floor, 7 p.m.

Monday, Aug. 13

Board of Health, Town Offices, second floor, 6-9 p.m.

School Committee, School Committee Room, 6:30 p.m.

Selectmen, Town Offices, third floor, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 14

Greater Lawrence Technical High School District Committee, Four Winds Dining Room at the school, 5:30 p.m.

Preservation Commission, Town Offices, second floor, 6:30 p.m.

Planning Board, Town Offices, third floor, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 15

Recycling Committee, Town Offices, second floor, 7:30 p.m.

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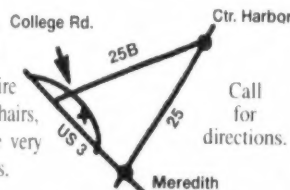


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Courts

Alleged 'Fat Man' awaits hearing

Former Phillips worker, also awaiting court date, out on bail

By Rebecca Piro

Two Massachusetts men arrested in Andover last June are awaiting trial.

Thomas Cooley, who police say may be the so-called "Fat Man" bank robber, was indicted federally on several bank robberies, including one in Andover last month, says Lt. Arthur Ricci. Cooley, 28, was arrested after allegedly walking into as many as 17 New England banks, handing a note to tellers, and walking back out with handfuls of cash. He allegedly hit Andover's Sovereign Bank on Main Street in April. Andover police arrested him two months later with help from the FBI, charging him with robbery and threatening to murder a teller.

Cooley's fingerprints on those notes connected him to the robberies in Andover, Mansfield, Worcester and Barrington R.I., says Ricci. Police may indict him in several more.

The Taunton man is waiting at the Middleton House of Correction for a probable cause hearing scheduled for Sept. 18.

Kenneth Austin, arrested the same week as Cooley after fellow workers at Phillips Academy tipped police about his alleged "hit list," is waiting for a pretrial hearing Sept. 5 at Lawrence District Court.

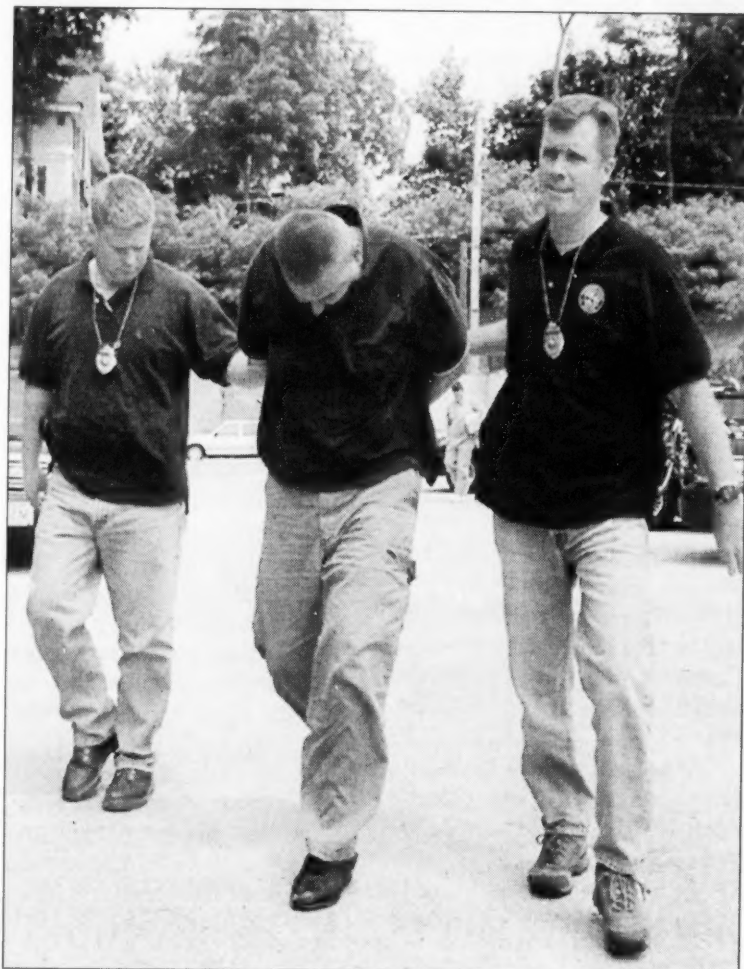
Police charged the Methuen man with threatening to commit a crime - meditating the murder of about 12 people he included on a list. Coworkers told police that

Austin had said he intended to "take those people out."

The coworkers also described a scene to police in which Austin allegedly stabbed a chair in the maintenance garage, stating, "If I'm going down, everybody's

coming with me."

Austin, who was transferred to the Middleton House of Correction upon arrest, is currently free on bail, says Ricci. He is under a restraining order that forbids him to go near the PA campus.



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Andover police detectives arrested Thomas Cooley in June.

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June 11 could rival April 15 as notable tax day next year

Town may vote that day on its first general override and a tax increase for Community Preservation Act

By Adam Groff

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski has proposed June 11 of next year as a tentative date for holding an election to approve a general override of Proposition 2 1/2.

Before the election, the town budget would have to be approved at Town Meeting in April with a number of items designated as being contingent on passage of such an override. Officials say an override will likely be necessary just to fund existing levels of staffing and service in town.

Stapczynski suggested the June 11 date at the Strategic Planning Task Force meeting last Thursday

morning. He said he arrived at the date by assuming that a budget is approved on the first day of Town Meeting, on April 22, after which 35 days must pass before a special town election can be held. May 27 is Memorial Day, and June 4 is the likely date of Andover High School graduation, making those weeks inconvenient for a town election and leaving the week of June 9 as the earliest reasonable time, according to Stapczynski.

The Strategic Planning Task Force also agreed to meet with the Community Preservation Act Task Force on Aug. 29 to discuss whether a townwide vote on

adopting the CPA might feasibly coincide with an override vote.

Adopting the CPA would allow the town to impose up to a three-percent tax surcharge each year, which would be matched by the state, for the purposes of acquiring open space, preserving historic buildings, and developing affordable housing.

"The Strategic Planning Task Force is leaning more toward including (a CPA vote) as part of the vote in June to make sure the town has all the options before it at once," said John Hess, the selectman liaison on the CPA Task Force, who was also at the strate-

gic planning meeting.

To do that, however, the town would have to secure an act of legislation from the state, because a CPA vote can normally only be taken during a regular town or state election. Therefore, right now the choices for when Andover can hold a CPA vote are during town elections in March of next year, or during state elections in November.

Hess said later that asking the town to decide to raise money for community preservation at the same time it is considering a large budget override is not as unreasonable as it might sound, if in the

future the town reduces its tax burden by the same amount as it is raising under the CPA.

"The big selling point is having the state match," said Hess. "For example, if we raise \$64 million in taxes, and we know we're going to get \$1 million from the state, we could only raise \$63 million."

The next Strategic Planning Task Force meeting is at 7:30 a.m. on Aug. 17 in the School Committee room.

The task force will also meet at 6 p.m. on Aug. 29, one hour before meeting with the CPA Task Force at a location yet to be confirmed.

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■ MEDICAL MISSION

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10-day Rotary missions, and offered his services for the trip to Romania.

"It was a great experience," he says. "We worked really hard, 16- or 17-hour days." In five days, Chatson and another surgeon operated on a total of 40 children, most with cleft lip or cleft palate, in the city of Ploiesti. Cleft lip happens when the upper lip does not come together in the middle during prenatal development, and cleft palate is when the roof of the mouth does not come together, leaving the nasal passages exposed to the inside of the mouth.

"In Romania, the principal problem for people with unrepaired cleft lip is that they're shunned," says Chatson. "People call them 'bunny lip.' They call people with cleft palate 'wolf mouth.'" A more immediate problem, however, is that infants with these deformities often have trouble nursing. Doctors in the struggling post-Communist nation

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GEORGE CHATSON, LEADER OF THE ROTARY'S MEDICAL MISSION TO ROMANIA

often have outdated medical equipment, when they have any at all, and the poor are at the bottom of the long lists of those awaiting treatment.

"They don't have enough money and supplies to do the work that needs to be done," says Chatson. Although they brought all their own supplies and equipment, the group last year still had to improvise from time to time.

Vijayakumar remembers warming IV bags on radiators, and keeping a three-month-old baby warm during surgery with a hair dryer placed under the sheet covering him.

"In such challenging circum-

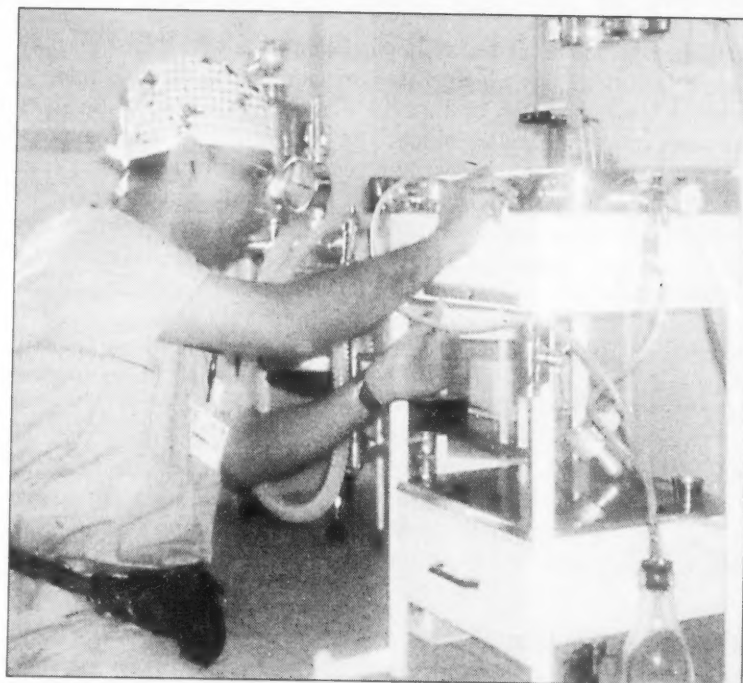


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"We have these things in museums," said Vijayakumar of the anesthesia delivery systems in a hospital in Ploiesti, Romania.

stances, it's very rewarding to achieve and maintain the level of care that you want," he says.

This year's mission, coordinated between the Andover Rotary

and a Romanian Rotary, will run from Aug. 31 to Sept. 9 and will build on the relationships the group formed last year. In addition to performing surgeries, Chatson,

Vijayakumar and the other 18 doctors and nurses on the team – among them this year a dentist and an obstetrician/gynecologist – will be conveying donated medical supplies and equipment, and they will be sharing some of their knowledge with their Romanian counterparts.

In Vijayakumar's case, this means showing them how to use a new anesthesia monitor, donated by the manufacturer, Datascope, and worth between \$8,000 and \$10,000. The monitor is used to keep track of the vital signs of an anesthetized patient, something Vijayakumar says is "the key to safe anesthesia." Because anesthetics suppress the body's vital functions while doing their job, it is critical to maintain the delicate balance between too much and too little. Doctors in the hospital in Romania have antique gas-delivery systems for administering anesthetic, but they don't have monitors; they keep track the old-fashioned way, checking a patient's pulse and looking at his or her pupils periodically. Amazingly, the brain surgery patient last year, who was having a blood clot removed following a head injury, survived and recovered.

"They do good work, considering the availability of equipment," says Vijayakumar. He says that based on his interactions last year, the equipment is one of the only things they lack. "I found them very well-trained; their knowledge base is very good," he remarked.

Accompanying Vijayakumar this year will be his daughter, Gowri Vijayakumar, who will become a senior at Phillips Academy the day after she returns from Romania. Three of the team members this year are bringing their children as volunteers, an option Chatson made available to show the young people some of the opportunities for service that exist.

Rotary International was formed in Chicago in 1905 to promote high ethical standards and service to others. Although not a member (Chatson is the only Rotarian on the team), Vijayakumar is moved by the same humanitarian intentions behind the Rotary missions.

"So many things are good about it," he says. "Helping people, seeing new things, getting that education. The feeling is just amazing."

To contribute funds to the mission, which Chatson says will cost somewhere around \$60,000, make checks out to "Rotary Club of Andover" and indicate somewhere on the check that the money is for the Romania plastic surgery mission. Send checks to the club at PO Box 1152, Andover, MA 01810.

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Teen discovers whole new world in Costa Rica

By Rebecca Piro

After spending 28 days in Costa Rica, waking up at 5 Tallyho Lane Friday was a bit of a jolt for resident Heather Finn.

"I'm in complete culture shock today!" she laughs, only hours after getting home from a seven-hour plane ride from Central America.

Cold showers and constant meals of rice and beans are only part of the other-worldly experience this 16-year-old Andover native mentions. She was one of 16 teenagers who each packed one backpack full of clothing and piled onto a plane to spend a month of summer vacation helping those who need it. The trip is organized by Global Works, a nonprofit organization out of Pennsylvania that sends kids to other countries for a not-so-typical summer vacation.

"My parents didn't want me to stay home all summer," says Finn. So instead, she lived with a Costa Rican family for 10 days and helped construct a sidewalk for kids to walk to school; worked in a rain forest; and brushed up on her Spanish vocabulary.

Finn shared with her host family a three-room house, which she describes as a far cry from her Andover home and summer house by Lake Winnepesaukee in New Hampshire.

"My shower was a cement floor and a spigot with a pipe going up to the ceiling. There was no heat. The septic systems were bad, so you couldn't flush the toilet paper down the toilet — you had to throw it away," she says. The biggest wake-up call for Finn was when she realized that the few clothes she had stuffed into her backpack were more than what most Costa Ricans own individually.

Language was a challenge. She says she faltered with her Spanish

occasionally, and had to concentrate hard when replying to the natives, especially in the beginning. "That's when I was the most homesick," she says. "It's obvious that you're different from them."

But the beauty of the varied landscape and the personalities of

the people made up for a lot of the difficulties Finn experienced.

"It's a gorgeous country. It's really peaceful and the people are always friendly," she says.

After Finn wraps up her high-school education at Phillips Academy, she's mulling the idea of becoming a veterinarian — and there's definitely a shortage of vets in Costa Rica, she says. "They don't have vets, but they have a huge number of animals," she says.

While she could have taken a

tourist trip to France or Spain — like many of her school friends planned to do — Finn is glad she opted to devote some of her summer to community service in a third-world country. "I don't think it's the same," she says. "I figured that Costa Rica needed more help than Spain did!"

But for now, she's going to spend the rest of her summer soaking up some good ol' American culture.

"I don't want to see rice and beans for a while," Finn laughs.

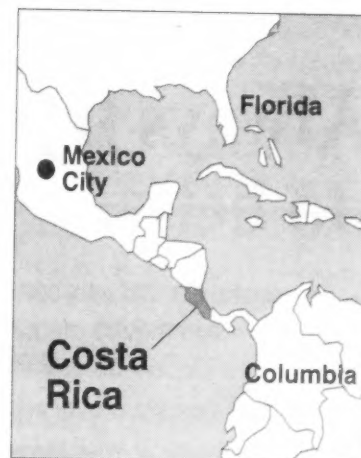


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Heather Finn is back in town after spending almost a month in Central America.

"I'm in complete culture shock! My shower was a cement floor and a spigot with a pipe going up to the ceiling. There was no heat."

HEATHER FINN, ON RETURNING HOME TO ANDOVER, AND ON THE CONDITIONS DURING HER TIME IN COSTA RICA

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Opinion

Always trying to do better

Trying to get kids to eat healthful foods — especially when they're on their own at school — sounds a lot like tilting at windmills. Given the choice between waxed beans and jelly beans, kids aren't going to wax poetic about nutrition.

But caring parents and school-lunch providers are obligated to continually try to improve the quality and variety of what young children are eating. So those who have taken time during the summer in an effort to improve school lunches deserve credit — especially for taking a mostly reasonable approach to change.

Parents have focused on reducing junk-food choices at the elementary schools, where bad eating habits are most likely to start. They also haven't proposed eliminating all snacks, but instead have simply suggested changing the offerings to popular, but better-for-you snacks such as popcorn and bagels.

Meanwhile, the schools food-service provider — who already planned to try out a salad-and-fruit bar at a pair of elementary schools — now is going to experiment with a more involved pilot program, as a nod to the PTOs.

Smartly, however, this more daring program will only last about 30 days, so that, if the idea is a disaster, the school system isn't tied for a year to the new Coke of school-lunch programs. If, after a month, it's obvious that the kids aren't eating the food, school officials can pull the plug.

As most parents know, finding foods that kids will eat isn't always the easiest of tasks. But never accepting "good enough" when it comes to kids is worth praise — and sends a fine lesson to the kids in the lunchroom about the kind of effort they should make in the classroom.

LETTERS POLICY

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ALL DRESSED UP



PHOTOS BY TIM JEAN

Moria Doyle, as Scooby Doo, and Michela Caffrey, as Snow White, enjoyed a "Halloween" party in the Park on Tuesday sponsored by the Department of Community Services.

LETTERS

Recycling options abound at curbside and elsewhere

Editor, *Townsmen*:

As the chair of Andover's Recycling Committee, I am pleased to respond to the recent letter requesting information on the town's recycling program. Andover is fortunate to have established an active and successful recycling program that has grown over the years due to the efforts of many committed volunteers and town employees. The most recent enhancement was the addition a year ago of cardboard, aluminum, and plastics (No. 1 and No. 2) to the curbside collection program. Our recycling program is a vital part of the solid-waste solution. Recycling saves money, reduces pollution, and conserves resources.

Andover's trash is burned at the NESWC incinerator in North Andover, which generates electricity in the process. The cost for this service is approximately \$165 per ton (about eight cents per pound), inclusive of collection costs and tipping fees at the incinerator. The cost for recycling is only about \$65 per ton, meaning that we save about \$100 per ton by recycling. Clearly, there is a strong financial incentive to recycle. This incentive is even greater considering that, in our

current contract, total recycling costs are fixed; more tons recycled mean a lower per-ton cost and even greater savings. Recycling also means less trash being burned and, consequently, lower overall stack emissions.

Andover's residents, schools, and town offices can recycle a wide variety of materials through the biweekly curbside collection program. These materials include all types of paper (including junk mail), paperboard (such as cereal boxes), glass, plastics No. 1 and No. 2, corrugated cardboard, and metal (steel, tin, and aluminum). (People needing a new or additional blue bin may call the Department of Public Works at 978-623-8350 or pick one up at the Water Treatment Plant on Lowell Street.)

Cardboard boxes must be flattened and cut into sections approximately two square feet in size to fit into the collection truck. Unless this is done, the cardboard may be left for trash disposal. Lack of understanding on this point has led to confusion and frustration among many residents who intended to recycle cardboard.

In general, Andover residents do an excellent job of recycling. Waste Management reports an approximately 85-

percent participation rate. There is room, however, to increase the amount of materials recycled by each household. I ask those not recycling all of the materials listed above to please think about how they might begin to do so.

Many other materials are also able to be recycled, although not at curbside. Organic waste (leaves, grass, and yard trimmings) may be taken to the compost site on High Plain Road year-round for drop-off. Leaves are also collected at the curb six weeks per year in the fall. Computers, TVs, and other electronics (which are banned from the trash) are collected during special Saturday events in the spring and fall of each year. The next such event is Sept. 15. Waste motor oil may be taken to the North Andover DPW garage Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon (there is a 50-cent per gallon fee). Household hazardous waste (HHW) collections are held twice per year (the next HHW day is Sept. 22) for pool chemicals, items that contain mercury (e.g., batteries, thermometers, thermostats, fluorescent light bulbs, etc.), bleach, pesticides, oil-based paint, and similar hazardous chemicals. Button

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batteries such as those found in hearing aids and calculators may be deposited in special collection boxes around town. Clothing may be donated to charity or placed into one of the many drop-off boxes throughout Andover.

I refer interested citizens to the Recycling Committee's Web site <www.town.andover.ma.us/recycle/index.htm> for more information on the existing program, including how-to information, drop-off locations for button batteries, links to related sites, and general program information.

In addition, we understand that the *Townsmen* is planning to include more coverage of recycling. We wholeheartedly support this, as we recognize that every Andover resident is affected by the success of the recycling program.

Jim Curtis
24 Chester St.

Paintball not OK on AVIS land

Editor, *Townsmen*:

A blurb in last week's police log read "A Jenkins Road resident reported that two men in fatigues had been seen heading into the woods carrying weapons. A responding officer determined that the people were just playing with paintball guns."

The blurb, as written, is unclear as to whether the camouflaged men were asked to leave or whether they were even advised that this "game" was inappropriate on AVIS land, but the mess I witnessed on that AVIS property tells me that it's likely neither occurred.

Just prior to reading last week's *Townsmen*, I had happened to be in the Skug River AVIS reservation just off Jenkins Road and was dismayed to find the trails around the old soapstone quarry littered

with paintballs, as well as finding paint splashes all over the rocks and trees in the area. Not exactly the vision of natural beauty that AVIS works so hard to maintain in our town.

In addition, it's important for everyone to realize that this so-called game involves high-powered guns (the paintballs can easily put an eye out and almost always leave nasty welts), which make it very dangerous for anyone else to be in the woods when the game is being played. Under no circumstances is it OK for legitimate visitors of AVIS properties to be placed at unnecessary risk of injury, yet allowing paintball to be played on AVIS property does exactly that.

I understand that there are many enthusiasts of paintball out there and I'm not putting down the activity or the people who do it. In fact, I have played it several times myself, but always on private land specifically set aside for paintball.

My point is that, because of the mess it makes and the risk it poses to others, paintball is *completely* inappropriate activity for AVIS land. Whether or not it's banned by any current law in Andover, common sense tells me that it should be highly discouraged by the police, Andover residents and the town itself.

David Bunting
3 Wagon Wheel Road

Soccer girl looks to net coaches

Editor, *Townsmen*:

A few months ago I tried out for Andover's travel-league soccer. Before all the drills, the coaches explained that we had reached the age where all of us made a team. The try-outs determined our division.

A month later I received a letter saying I was in division three. I was excitedly anticipating playing

until I read the next letter in the mail. The letter I received more recently explained why I could not play on the travel team. It said that there weren't enough volunteer coaches for division three. It told me that out of more than 30 parents who were called, only one responded. Therefore we have only one team. The soccer association randomly picked 19 kids from many for their only team. I was greatly disappointed, and I'm sure other kids were, too.

I think the town of Andover needs more people willing to volunteer. Not only for this situation, but for other things as well. A lot of kids' activities depend on grown-ups' participation. It may be too late, but if anyone out there is willing to volunteer their time to coach division three U-12 travel-team soccer, please contact the Andover Soccer Association at PO Box 124, Andover.

Shayna Orent, 11
27 Brown St.

Police setting regional standards for taxis, drivers and fares

By Rebecca Piro

If you call a livery company to drive you from Andover to Lawrence, you'll pay a certain price. If you call a different company to take you back, you could end up paying a lot more, or a lot less.

That kind of yo-yo charging is possible within the Greater Lawrence communities of Andover, North Andover, Methuen and Lawrence, says Andover Safety Officer Bob Cronin. It's not fair to the consumer, and police from those four communities want it to stop.

That's why state and local police are getting together in an effort to establish standardized regulations concerning licensing, fees and possibly rates across the region.

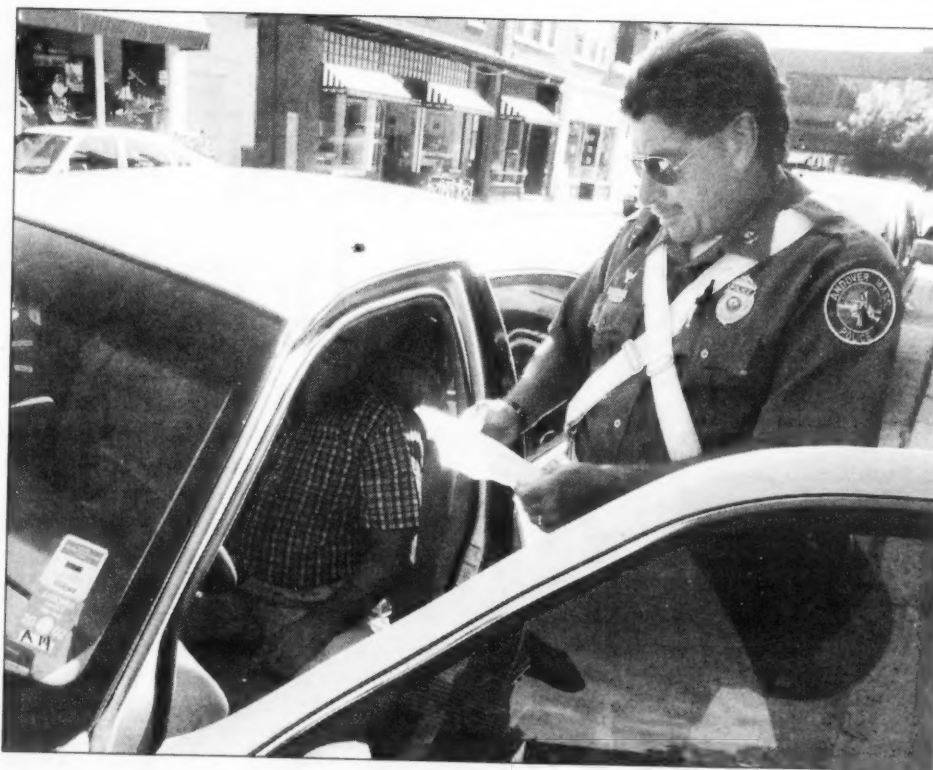
Maximum rates, which are set in Andover by the selectmen, are different throughout Greater Lawrence, says Cronin. North Andover does not even have a maximum rate, says Joyce Bradshaw, North Andover town clerk, which means companies can charge whatever they want.

"That's not fair," says Cronin. "We want to get all the communities geographically connected on the same page as far as how vehicles (for hire) are monitored."

Officials in all four communities have decided some standard rules are necessary not only for financial reasons, but for safety concerns as well.

Andover currently requires a background check for all livery drivers looking to work in town. That check includes confirmation of an active Massachusetts license for the driver and a record clean of any violence or sexual-assault charges. But that may not necessarily be the case in other communities — which could lead to a loophole for a driver looking to slip through the system, says Cronin.

"If someone came to me and failed my background check, they could (possibly) go to another community and pass one there," he says. That could mean danger not only



Andover Officer Bob Cronin inspects the vehicle of Bob Sicard of Andover Cab Co. Soon, Andover and surrounding towns will have the same standards.

PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

for residents of that particular community, but for Andover residents as well who may be traveling through.

"We're going to try to standardize what criteria we are going to use to reject an applicant for a driver, so if he's rejected in Lawrence, he can't go to the other three communities, because we're going to reject him there, too," says Methuen Police Chief Bruce MacDougall.

Lettering and signage on vehicles for hire is another issue that is not evenly regulated across the region, says Cronin.

For several months, Andover officials and police have argued with Andover Cab Co. owner Michael Belmore about putting

signage on his vehicles, many of which still remain unidentifiable, save by the license plate that states "livery" in small letters. Belmore, who refused to comment for the record, is "making an effort to conform," says Cronin.

Customers cannot easily identify vehicles for hire that do not wear lettering, and they could easily mistake another, potentially dangerous vehicle, for the unmarked vehicle for which they were waiting, he says.

Besides the safety factor, unmarked vehicles aren't good for business, Cronin says.

"There have been incidents of (other companies) stealing fares," he says. "We don't want to have companies popping up in

one community taking away business from others."

Companies licensed out of town are not allowed to solicit fares in Andover, says Cronin. Andover residents are not supposed to be able to flag down a vehicle for hire from either of the two companies licensed in Andover. Both Andover Cab Co. and Shawshen Livery are licensed as liveries, which means they are supposed to take only prescheduled fares. But unscheduled fares are picked up all too frequently in Andover, says Cronin.

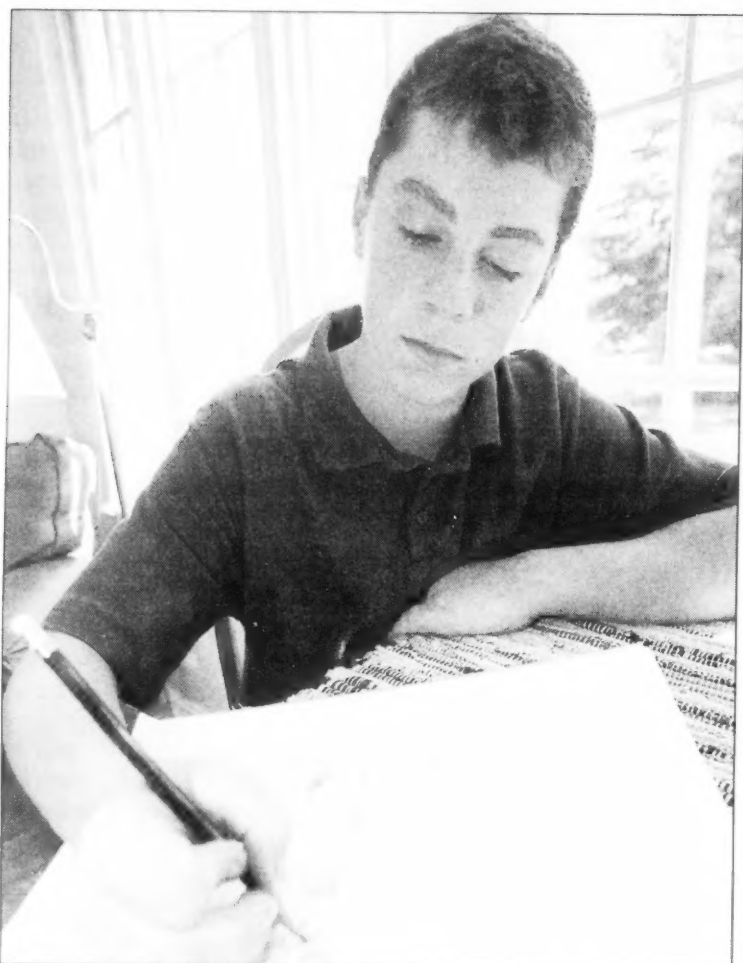
Some companies may try to fudge the distinction between "livery" and "taxi" because it costs around \$8,200 for a company to insure a taxi vehicle, versus \$1,600 to insure a livery vehicle. In addition, some communities require background checks for drivers of taxis, but not liveries, says MacDougall. "This is to make sure that these (vehicles for hire) will be driven by proper people and be in fine mechanical state," MacDougall adds.

"We're looking forward to having something that is uniform," says Bradshaw. "It's better than five communities scratching their heads."



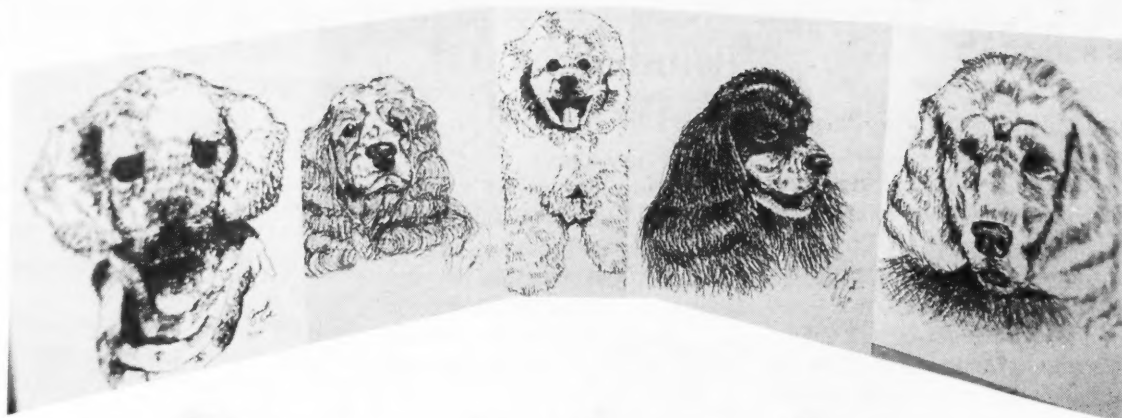
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Currently, livery drivers in Andover must have a sticker from police.



Garrett Cook draws postcards of dogs that he sells for profit, and to give to a cocker spaniel rescue league.

PHOTO BY TIM JEAN



Drawn to these dogs

Dog lover Garrett Cook turns his passion for pooches into postcards

By Rebecca Piro

Garrett Cook's love for dogs goes way beyond providing food and shelter for his own cocker spaniels, Lorraine and Mocha.

He uses his gift for drawing to help abused and abandoned spaniels by raising money for the Cocker Spaniel Rescue of New England.

"Sometimes people find out they don't want a dog and leave it tied to a pole out on a street," says Garrett, 13. "That's the worst."

At the suggestion of his mom, Karla, Garrett began drawing pen-and-ink portraits of the dogs he saw on CSRNE's Web site, which the family reproduced on note cards and sold to the public.

"That way, I could make some money and help a good cause, too," says Garrett.

He sells packages of five note cards printed with his black-and-white drawings, including envelopes, for \$10. Garrett keeps half the profit for himself and sends the rest to CSRNE – a total

that has risen to more than \$500 since he began drawing the dogs two years ago, he says.

"It makes me feel good that I'm doing something for a good cause," Garrett says. He hopes that some of the funds he donates will go towards establishing a permanent kennel for CSRNE – something the rescue organization, based in Peterborough, N.H., does not yet have.

Garrett's artistic talents emerged years ago as a child, says Karla Cook. She remembers when her son was 18 months old and drawing three-dimensional pictures of houses in perspective – rather than in a simplified form.

"Ever since then, I've tried to keep a pencil in my hands," says Garrett.

He takes drawing at Pike School, where he will start eighth grade this September, and has taken private lessons with teachers in town and North Andover, as well as at the Essex Art Center in Lawrence. He draws and paints other subjects, including flowers, figures and cartoons. He's learning to work with oils and watercolors, but his favorite medium is pen and ink.

"The thing about pen and ink is, it's all lines," he says. "It's not that hard to do. I like detail."

Garrett can sit down and sketch a dog from a Web-site photo in minutes. He starts by drawing the animal's shape in pencil, and slowly fills in the details and shadows with a fine-point pen.

"The hardest part is the ears. There's so much line work," says Garrett. "Once you start (using) the pen, you can't erase it."

Garrett usually spends two to three days working on a particular dog, and his pack of note cards now contains five different prints – and several hours of hard work. "It doesn't have to be perfect, but I like to stand back and think it looks like the cocker I'm drawing from," he says.

Garrett's note cards are available at Pike's annual art show and CSRNE's annual auction in Westborough. Interested customers can also reach his family at their Holt Road home.

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Youth center

Months in, youth foundation still seeks prized donor

By Rebecca Piro

Four million dollars in four months.

That's what the Andover Youth Foundation is facing if members still hope to meet their goal of raising \$4 million by January to build a 30,000 square-foot youth center on Greenwood Road.

Since before 1995, AYF has worked hard to spread the word about its youth-center concept — a center built on public land with private funds. AYF's first effort to pass a youth-center proposal failed by a small margin at 1995 Town Meeting. After much campaigning, AYF returned to Special Town Meeting in November and won an overwhelming vote of support. But



FILE PHOTO BY REBECCA PIRO

Youth at the spring fashion-show fundraiser made it clear they hope to get a youth center soon, and will help raise funds for one.

since then, AYF members have had few things to celebrate publicly.

In May, AYF sponsored a fashion show at Phillips Academy's Addison Gallery to kick off the youth-center campaign. Fundraiser Tom Jones had projected that AYF would have all needed funds in hand by January 2002.

"This is the kickoff to get the process started," Jones had said. "Now the time has come."

But since then, AYF's time until January has continued to dwindle. Three months after the kickoff, AYF President Larry Larsen will say only that the fundraising group is working hard, holding weekly meetings, and negotiating a major deal that could make the project. But as to

who, how, or when that money could materialize, Larsen is remaining mum.

"We're at a delicate point in negotiations with some key people," says Larsen. "It would be unwise for me to comment further."

AYF has received about \$65,000 in unsolicited donations since Special Town Meeting, Larsen says — the same figure Jones quoted at May's gala. AYF has spent most of that money on

architectural fees, which is separate from the \$4 million needed for construction.

Larsen and AYF member Peg Campbell will say that they are planning an auction — the first fundraising event since May — scheduled for Nov. 2 at the Andover Country Club.

"We hope it will bring out a big crowd of people who say, 'We want to get behind this (project),'"

says Larsen.

In case that big crowd of people that showed up at Special Town Meeting to vote is wondering what the people behind the project are doing, Larsen has an explanation. "It takes us a little longer, because we're doing it ourselves," he says. As a private group, AYF is run entirely by volunteers and without public funds or management.

As always, Larsen has words of optimism, if not news. "I feel good about (the project)," he says. "We will build a youth center."

Young adults return for youth-center push

By Rebecca Piro

Years after she graduated from Andover High School, resident Annmarie Charland had not forgotten what it was like to be a kid in Andover.

So she took advantage of her talents as a TV news producer and filmed a seven-minute video of Andover Youth Services, in hopes of spreading public awareness of the program and the need for a youth center to house it. Despite her and many others' efforts, the proposal failed at 1995 Town Meeting by a slim margin — but she wasn't about to give up.

Today, about six years later, Andover Youth Foundation has received the Town Meeting approval they need for the public/private project sited near Greenwood and Ledge roads. Members are still working to come up with the \$4 million they need to fund it. But many say none of it would have ever come this far without people like Annmarie Charland and many other young people who have come back to follow their dreams.

AYF member Peg Campbell, who enjoyed working with people like Annmarie Charland when she was a teenager, looks forward to working with them when they return to pitch in. "Annmarie has gone on to do some really cool things with her life, but she never forgot (about the youth center)," Campbell says. "It's neat for me to see them go on and do things like this."

It's rewarding on the other end of things as well, says Charland.

"I'm happy to turn around and help the next generation coming up," she says, remembering growing up on Topping Road and feeling the need for a place where young people could hang out. "It was either, you were a kid or you were an adult. There wasn't really anything for the middle years."

Charland graduated from Andover High School in 1988 and currently works as a freelance TV producer for Channel 5.



FILE PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Andover youth greeted people entering Special Town Meeting last fall, and some Andover High graduates returned to the area to offer support.

She returned to Andover to share her talents for a common goal: passing a youth-center vote.

"I grew up in the community, I still live there and I always knew there was a need for that age group," she says.

Her younger brother, Dave Charland, is a finance consultant in Raleigh, North Carolina. But he was at November's Special Town Meeting in more than spirit when voters overwhelmingly passed a warrant article allowing town officials to enter into agreement with the private AYF. He was listening through a cell phone his sister was holding up as the moderator announced the vote.

"I could hear the cheering and the applause," he remembers. "It was a pretty emotional moment."

Dave Charland also took time to fly back to Andover in May, when AYF held a fundraising kickoff at Phillips Academy's Addison Gallery. "I just think they needed some people who

had been (behind the project) originally to help promote it and give it support," he says. "It's an idea that I still hold, whether it's 1995 or 2001."

"It's something I'm as passionate about now as I was when I was 16," says Annmarie Charland. "I just don't have as much time to devote to it, which is the hard part."

Dave Charland has also made a monetary donation to the youth center. "If they ever build that building and have a ribbon-cutting ceremony, I'll be there," he says.

For Annmarie Charland, it's community leaders like Campbell, Youth Services Director Bill Fahey and Selectman Brian Major that make all the difference. "(Former Andover youths) are coming back, and they'll do it for Peg. Anything they need, I will absolutely do it for them," she says. "I think every generation tries to leave things better than when they found it."

Agilent no more

Andover facility now under Philips crown

By Adam Groff

Agilent Technologies' medical devices facility on Minuteman Road is officially now part of Philips Medical Systems, a division of Royal Philips Electronics. The Dutch electronics company, parent of Philips Magnavox and Norelco among others, completed the acquisition of Agilent's Healthcare Solutions Group last Wednesday, Aug. 1, for \$1.7 billion.

"This transaction allows us to align ourselves with a major force in the health-care marketplace and take on our largest competitors," said Steve Rosckowski, former HSG general manager and now CEO of Cardiac and Monitoring Systems for PMS. Consolidation, he said, has been the name of the game in health care in recent years, as in many other industries. Philips is one of the top three medical devices companies in the world, along with U.S.-based General Electric and German giant Siemens. Each is currently reporting around \$7 billion in annual sales, said Rosckowski.

The announcement last year of the pending sale came as welcome news to the company's manufacturing employees in Andover, about 200 of whom were expected to be

transferred to Singapore as part of a consolidation plan of Agilent's. No employees are expected to lose out on the Philips deal.

"We don't foresee any downsizing at this point," said Rosckowski. "We actually are hopeful that we might see the site expanded with other worldwide Philips Medical activities." He said they have the capacity to add 50,000 square feet of office space if they need to expand.

"What Philips didn't have that we (at Agilent) bring to the business is patient monitoring," said spokeswoman Heidi Wilson. She described the high end of their line of monitoring devices as what one sees in an intensive-care unit. "That's really the core of our business," she said.

The business's other strengths are in electrocardiography, used to diagnose heart disease, and portable defibrillators, used to resuscitate people who have gone into cardiac arrest. Automatic external defibrillators, or AEDs, have become more common equipment in places like police cars and airplanes, and Wilson said that they are moving toward making the devices sufficiently affordable and easy to use, so that individuals will be able to have them in their homes.

OBITUARIES

Alfred J. Coulthard*Was longtime trainer, gym teacher at Phillips*

Alfred J. Coulthard, 82, of Andover and St. Pete Beach, Fla., died unexpectedly on Wednesday, July 25 in Florida.

On that day, Mr. Coulthard planned to return to Andover from Florida.

He was born in Birkenhead, England and was raised in Lynn.

Mr. Coulthard was a physical education instructor and trainer at Phillips Academy from 1962 until his retirement in 1984. He was well-known and respected among athletes and was often consulted as a therapist by those suffering from sports injuries. He was an avid sportsman.

Mr. Coulthard served as platoon sergeant in the US Marines from 1942 to 1946 and served overseas in the Pacific in the Solomons, Saipan, and later in Nagasaki.

Before coming to Andover, he served as the assistant trainer at Harvard University for two years. He later served as the head trainer at Brandeis University for 12 years and was assistant baseball coach for three years and head track coach for eight years. During this time he earned a degree in education.

He was the widower of Ruth (Doherty) Coulthard who died in 1988. He was also the father of the

late Nancy Coulthard who died of diabetes in 1981.

Members of his family include his daughter, Audrey C. Palmieri of Andover; son, David A. Coulthard of South Windsor, Conn., and three grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Joslin Diabetes Center, Development Office, One Joslin Place, Boston, MA 02215.

Private burial was held in Spring Grove Cemetery. Arrangements were by Burke Funeral Home.

Mafalda G. DeGregorio*Andover resident for more than 50 years*

Mafalda G. (Champy) DeGregorio, 93, of Andover, died Sunday, Aug. 5 at Wingate Nursing Home.

Mrs. DeGregorio worked at the former Wood Mills of Lawrence. Raytheon Co. in Andover and retired from DASA Corp. in Andover. For several years, she and her husband owned and operated the former Central Cafe on Post Office Avenue in Andover.

She was born and educated in Lawrence. She lived in Andover for more than 50 years.

She was the widow of Victor DeGregorio.

Members of her family include her sisters, Elizabeth Santhomas of Methuen, and Alberta Massa and Irene Saccuzzo, both of

Andover; four grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. She was also mother of the late Richard DeGregorio.

There were no calling hours and funeral services were private. Cremation will take place.

Arrangements were by Charles Dewhirst, Edgerley & Bessom Funeral Home, 33 Pearson St., Andover.

Richard W. Lally*Owned local real estate, insurance companies*

Richard W. Lally, 71, of Andover died Sunday, Aug. 5.

Mr. Lally was president of Lally Real Estate and also owned Barnard Insurance Agency, both in Andover.

Born in Reading, he was educated in Reading and Lawrence. He attended Lenox Preparatory School and Trinity College, where he graduated cum laude.

During World War II, Mr. Lally served as a first lieutenant in the Army Air Corps.

He was the widower of Patricia (Barnard) Lally.

Members of his family include his son, Richard W. Lally Jr. of Andover. He was also father of the late Court B. Lally.

Memorial contributions may be made to Creative Living Inc., 368 South Main St., Andover, MA 01810.

There were no calling hours and funeral services were private.

Arrangements were by Charles Dewhirst, Edgerley & Bessom Funeral Home, 33 Pearson St., Andover.

Frances Rosman*Worked as clerk at IRS*

Frances (Goldberg) Rosman, 95, died Saturday, Aug. 4 at Wingate Nursing Home after a long illness.

Born and educated in Lawrence, where she lived all her life, Mrs. Rosman was a clerk at the Andover office of the Internal Revenue Service. She was a longtime member of the Sisterhood Congregation Ansha Shulim of Lawrence and Congregation Tifereth Israel.

Members of her family include her husband, Nathan Rosman; son, Bernard Rosman of Newton; daughter, Linda Siegenthaler of Silver Spring, Md.; and two granddaughters.

Memorial contributions may be made to Congregation Ansha Shulim, 411 Hampshire St., Lawrence, MA 01841.

Alice H. Wenzel*Local hospital volunteer logged 7,000 hours*

Alice H. (Higginbottom) Wenzel, 96, of Washington Park, Andover, died Thursday, Aug. 2 at Lawrence General Hospital.

Born in Denton, Lancashire, England, she moved to this country when she was 4, attended Methuen schools and graduated from Searles High School. Mrs. Wenzel was a longtime North Andover resident before recently moving to Washington Park. She was also a former resident of Uxbridge.

She was a member of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Methuen and its Girl Friendly Society. She was also a member of the North Andover Women's Club and a founding member of the Uxbridge Women's Club.

During World War II, Mrs. Wenzel was a plane spotter and volunteered at the Veterans Administration Cushing Hospital in Framingham. She also volunteered at Lawrence General Hospital with patients and in the thrift shop and was recognized for more

DEATHS

Alfred J. Coulthard, 82
Mafalda G. DeGregorio, 93
William J. Driscoll, 80
Robert A. LaBelle, 51
Richard W. Lally, 71
Cecile B. Micka, 84
Frances Rosman, 95
Alice H. Wenzel, 96

DEATHS ELSEWHERE

DRISCOLL — William J. Driscoll, 80, of North Andover, died Friday, Aug. 3.

Mr. Driscoll was town engineer for North Andover for more than 20 years and members of his family include his sister, Barbara Perry of Andover.

LABELLE — Robert A. LaBelle, 51, of Sandown, N.H., died Thursday, Aug. 2 at New England Medical Center in Boston.

Mr. LaBelle was an electronics technician at Raytheon Co. in Andover for 29 years.

MICKA — Cecile B. (Bergeron) Micka, 84, of Methuen died Wednesday, Aug. 1 at Holy Family Hospital.

Mrs. Micka worked at the Internal Revenue Service in Andover for more than 10 years.

than 7,000 hours of service.

An artist, Mrs. Wenzel's oil paintings appeared at several private exhibits.

She was the widow of Paul J. Wenzel.

Members of her family include her daughters and sons-in-law, Betty Jane and Robert Dawe of North Andover, Barbara and Edmond Boucher of Avon, Conn., and Paula and Robert Stewart of Newburyport; five grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

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Church project: Work at West Parish will soon be seen

It's been slow going for West Parish since February, when the church broke ground on its "connector" construction project. But that's about to change, says Rev. Mark Welch.

The more-than \$600,000 project will connect the sanctuary and

vestry buildings, and add three classrooms for Sunday school and choir practice.

"I am enthusiastic that it is progressing," says Welch from his temporary office in the church nursery. "We don't have a date for

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SENIORS

By Pat Becker
Andover Senior Center

Here are some of the activities coming up at the Andover Senior Center.

Fall Exercise Registration: The week of Aug. 27 is registration week for the fall semester of exercise classes. Classes will be offered in low-impact aerobics, men's exercise, cardio-conditioning with the Andover Training Station, water workout, tai chi, line dance, strength-training for women, and gentle yoga. Call the center for days, times, and cost. All classes run in 12-week semesters, and anyone interested in participating should plan to drop into the center during registration week.

Cards & Games Day: Monday afternoons in August will be cards and games day at the center from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Round up a friend and bring down a deck of cards, a cribbage or chess board, a Monopoly or Scrabble game or whatever you enjoy, set up a table, and join us.

Craft Group: Our Monday morning craft class is already preparing for holiday fair time, and we could use your ideas and help over the summer. Anyone who could give us a hand from

9:30 to 11:30 a.m. would be most welcome; also welcome are donations of holiday craft materials.

Cable TV show: *There's Something About Andover*, a monthly TV show produced and directed by Andover seniors, is aired on local access Channel 8, on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 7 p.m., and Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 9 a.m. Be sure to watch the show and keep up with what's going on around town. To join the camera or studio crew, call Bill Barron at 475-3391.

Senior Center Choral Group: If you enjoy singing, the center's choral group, the Sunrise Singers, invites you to join them for rehearsals on Monday mornings at 9 a.m. Both male and female voices are welcome.

Movie Matinee: On Monday, Aug. 20 we will show the recent hit *Castaway* starring Tom Hanks. Hanks plays a FedEx systems engineer who survives a plane crash on Christmas Eve and washes up on a remote island in the Pacific. Come on in and join us. Summer refreshments served after the movie. Our appreciation to Andover Video for supporting our movie days.

Luncheon Trip: On Thursday, Aug. 16 we will head to the Herb Lyceum in Groton to enjoy a three-course herbal luncheon, as well as a stroll through a lavender and Shaker garden. Before lunch, we will make a stop at Kilbridge Antiques. Cost of the trip is \$30. This trip is also filling up quickly, so come on down and sign up to enjoy a great day out.

Spirituality Supper: Our summer spirituality series will continue Wednesday, Aug. 22 at 4 p.m. when we will get together to discuss the book *My Grandfather's Blessings* by Rachel Remen, MD. A light supper will be served following the discussion. Reservations are \$3, and anyone is welcome to participate in this series. Just give us a call if you'd like to join us.

ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

100 Years Ago In Andover

Dr. J.P. Torrey has just purchased a new X-ray machine which he expects to find very useful in his examination of broken bones, foreign substances, diseases of the lungs, etc. The machine is portable so it may be taken to the bedside of the patient when the patient can not get to the office. He will place the machine at the use of other physicians in the vicinity.

The recent rains have prevented many of the things that threatened crops.

Awnings have been put up at the Andover Bookstore by proprietor George A. Higgins.

Rev. Selah Merrill, US consul at Jerusalem, has sent Herbert F. Chase a set of six dozen excellent films of views in and about Jerusalem, taken with a camera presented to Mr. Merrill by the latter some time ago.

The automatic sewer pump in

Marland Village causes a vibration which residents in that vicinity claim annoys them greatly. Complaints have been made to Supt. Smith. Citizens who occupy houses in the area say the jar rattles their water pipes so much that the noise has become a nuisance.

A "praying mantis" which could well claim the title of a rare bug, and a very peculiar one, was captured by James Rogers last week.

50 Years Ago In Andover

Four people were rescued from Haggetts Pond Sunday evening when their plane, which they were attempting to land on the water, nosed the water and sank. Nearby fishermen rescued Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hitchcock of Newton, and Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Hitchcock of West Acton. The passengers were taken to the Lawrence

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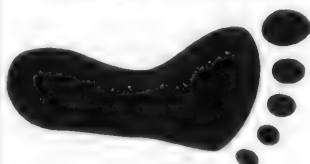
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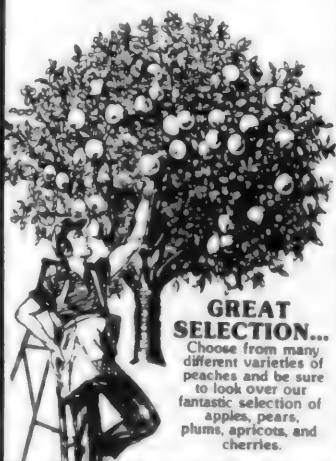
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COLOR THRU FALL.**Police****Man dead at Harold Parker**

One man is dead after what state police reportedly suspect may have been a suicide Tuesday night in Harold Parker State Forest.

The 29-year-old male from North Reading was found dead in his car by some fishermen in the area just after 7 p.m., says Steve O'Connell, spokesman for the Essex County Sheriff's Dept.

Four state cruisers responded to

Harold Parker Road when the state barracks received reports about shots fired in the woods, says Lt. Thomas Siopes of the local Andover Police.

Local officers Robin Cataldo, Don Pattullo, Bill Wallace and Charles Heseltine joined state troopers who discovered the man dead in the vicinity of 50 Harold Parker Road.

"They are treating it as a sui-

cide," says Siopes. He does not know whether troopers had located a weapon at the scene.

State police are handling the case, which is still under investigation.

O'Connell says an autopsy of the man was scheduled for yesterday, Wednesday, before *Townsmen* presstime.

—Rebecca Piro

Church construction taking shape**■ WEST PARISH**

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completion, but I'm anticipating sometime in October."

Passersby will soon see completed foundations for the additions as well as the initial framework for the new structures.

Workers ran into some slate underground as they prepared the site for construction, but the work associated with that is finished now, Welch says. "I think it's been smooth sailing. I haven't heard of any major wrinkles." The construction has not affected the church's weekly services, he adds.

—Rebecca Piro



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Work on a "connector" structure at West Parish has begun.

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ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

■ 50 YEARS AGO

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General Hospital. The women were admitted for treatment and the men were released. Investigating police reported that the two couples were on their way to Bedford Air Base from Biddeford Pool, Maine, and had descended to the pond to wash the salt water off the plane which had been anchored in the salt water all day. The boaters who went to the rescue were Peter Sluskonis of Lawrence, owner of a camp nearby, and John Aleksa of North Andover. Attempts to rescue the plane were unavailing at the time.

An unopened letter, 36 years old, containing a check for \$250, was brought to light while workmen were tearing down a partition in the old Shaw property on Main Street. The letter was postmarked Lawrence, Dec. 3, 1915, and addressed to David Shaw, chairman of the board of assessors. The letter and check were from Mary Ripley and said that \$50 of the money was for church repairs and the rest "my annual contribution for the music." The letter was found in the partition of what was the front hallway, in the back of a box seat container which was attached to the wall. As both persons listed on the check are deceased the check is not negotiable. The discovery of the letter was made by Bill Phinney, son of Harold Phinney, who is making renovations on the building.

Andover police lead the search that resulted in finding of the bullet-pierced body of Leo R. Monfet, of Lawrence, on Gray Road, North Andover, just about 100 feet beyond the Andover line. Monfet's car was found a short distance away in Andover. Officer James R. Lynch discovered the body late in the afternoon. He had been enjoying his day off and had spotted the car earlier in the day, calling the station with the registration number so the owner could be notified. The police were later notified of the missing man and Officer Lynch was joined by Officer Robert V. Deyermund, along with officers from North Andover and Lawrence to search the vicinity. A few moments later Officer Lynch discovered the body a few feet into the woods behind a stone wall.

25 Years Ago in Andover

Advanced warning of the threat of Hurricane Belle began over the weekend and increased as the storm headed for New England. Residents heeded the warnings and made preparations; stocking up on batteries, candles, gasoline, and foods that were easy to prepare in case of power outages. By the time the storm reached Andover, it was reduced to high winds and rains, but offered a good test of preparedness for officials and residents alike.

A quorum of 350 voters is needed at the Special Town Meeting this Monday, to act on funds to repair the high-school roof. With-

out the quorum no money will be available for the repairs.

William R. O'Reilly, MD, and Mary C. Hamilton, RN, of the Andover Board of Health have issued the following statement saying that members of the Board of Health have attended meetings with state, regional and local health officials relative to implementation of a immunization program with swine influenza and A. Victoria vaccines for Andover residents.

The Andover Board of Health is now waiting for final guidelines and availability before announcing immunization dates and the scope of the program.

After 18 months of study, the Andover Historic District Study Committee is recommending that the Central Street area be considered for historic district status and has presented its report to the Andover Planning Board and the Massachusetts Historical Society.

The proposed section runs the length of Central Street from Essex Street on the west and the Rose Cottage to the corner of Argilla Road. The committee has also studied 12 other possible districts including Ballardvale, Lowell Street and Shawsheen Village.

Deputy Fire Chief William T. Downs and an assistant drove to Boston to pick up Andover's new modular ambulance.

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Heat wave brings fire to cemetery

High temperatures could have played a part in two small fires reported Tuesday.

The first call for fire came into the station at 12:07 p.m. for a brush fire at Sacred Heart Cemetery, says Dep. Lincoln Clark. Firefighters arrived at the scene to find a pile of old grass clippings and flower baskets blazing.

"It seemed to be caused by spontaneous combustion because of the heat," says Clark.

The flames were doused in about five minutes and no serious damage was done, he adds.

A bigger fire started about three-and-a-half hours later at 105 Abbot St. Passersby reported a fire that started on the house's patio and spread to the deck. Some grabbed a garden hose to begin dousing the flames before firefighters arrived on scene, says Clark.

The cause of the fire is still under investigation. A gas grill and some gasoline containers were at the scene, but no one has

determined whether they were connected to the fire.

"There was some damage done

to the siding of the house, but there was no interior damage to the house," Clark says.

The owners were not home when the blaze started, he adds.

— Rebecca Piro



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Jeff Wells cools things down at Sacred Heart Cemetery.

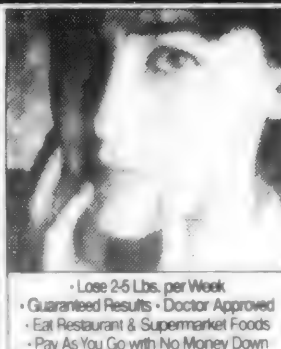
Heroin overdose

An Andover female was treated and saved from a heroin overdose at her residence last Thursday.

Police responded to a call from the 36-year-old woman's family, who told police she was seizing, says Lt. Thomas Siopes. When the police arrived, a family member revealed to an officer that the woman uses heroin.

Police do not believe the incident was a suicide attempt, says Lt. Jim Hashem. The woman was taken by ambulance to an area hospital for treatment. She has not yet been formally charged with illegal possession of heroin, Hashem adds.

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POLICE LOG

ARRESTS

Wednesday, Aug. 1 - At 3:55 p.m., Lisa Berube, 27, of 56 Adams St., Wilmington, was arrested and charged on a warrant for conspiring to sell a Class A substance.

Thursday, Aug. 2 - At 1:22 a.m., Mark Lussier, 37, of 1 Bishop Way, North Reading, was arrested and charged with failing to stay in marked lanes, speeding and driving under the influence of alcohol.

Sunday, Aug. 5 - At 10:53 a.m., Jimmy Ortiz, 47, of 162 Shute St., Everett, was arrested and charged with driving with a suspended license, failing to stay within marked lanes and violating the seat-belt law.

At 8:39 p.m., police took a 37-year-old male from Quincy into protective custody for intoxication.

Tuesday, Aug. 7 - At 12:08 p.m., David Hebb, 31, of 56 Brown Hill Road, Haverhill, was arrested and charged with illegal possession of a Class D substance.

At 1:50 p.m., Ziba Dean, 17, of 325 Lowell St., was arrested and charged with assault and battery on a family member.

INCIDENTS

Wednesday, Aug. 1 - At 7:41 a.m., a construction worker reported that he had been threatened by another employee at Regency Ridge.

At 9:06 a.m., a Ballardvale Road resident reported that her daughter had been approached by a teenage male driving a gray vehicle.

At 9:15 a.m., a Rocky Hill Road

resident reported a dog bite.

Thursday, Aug. 2 - At 6:01 a.m., a Washington Park Drive resident reported that she had a bat inside her home.

At 8:46 a.m., a caller reported that a mother possum was struck and killed on River Road, and her babies were wandering around in the road. An officer brought the babies to the animal hospital.

At 2:18 p.m., a River Road resident reported that the painter she had hired had threatened to "wreck" her house, according to the log. An officer spoke to the painter and advised him to stay away from the woman's house.

At 3:49 p.m., an Oriole Drive resident reported a dog bite.

At 4 p.m., an Algonquin Avenue resident reported that she had lost a diamond earring.

Friday, Aug. 3 - At 4:02 p.m., a female from the YMCA reported that a child had been punctured by a hypodermic needle in their playground. The mother took the child to the doctor and the needle was also taken to be examined.

Saturday, Aug. 4 - At 1:44 a.m., a security guard from Vicor reported that a male subject had come to the door stating that he had a male in his vehicle who had just been stabbed. The security guard called Andover police, who reported to the scene, and then the male revealed that the stabbing had occurred in Lowell. Andover police notified the Lowell police department of the incident.

At 3:22 p.m., a 60-year-old male from Andover was reported missing

from a group home on Lowell Street. The male had been reported missing or wandering several times before, said Lt. Kevin Winters.

Sunday, Aug. 5 - At 1:05 p.m., an officer gave a summons to a male for uttering, forgery and fraudulently obtaining a false prescription at CVS.

At 7:56 p.m., a resident reported that he found an ATM card at the corner of High and Haverhill streets.

Monday, Aug. 6 - At 1:30 p.m., a Sugarbush Lane resident requested that police monitor the driving of 18-wheeler trucks hauling fill to and from the new schools construction site. The trucks have been speeding and slamming on their brakes, the caller said. An officer spoke to an employee at the construction site and also agreed to monitor the situation.

At 7:43 p.m., a Memorial Circle resident reported that she had found a "substance" in a plastic bag. An officer brought the bag into the station for the detectives to examine.

At 9:15 p.m., an officer found a bag of softball equipment left outside South School. The officer brought the equipment back to the station for safekeeping.

At 10:45 p.m., an employee from CVS reported that a gathering of kids in the parking lot was harassing customers. A responding officer sent the kids on their way.

BREAKS

Wednesday, Aug. 1 - At 10:26 a.m., a Beacon Street resident reported that someone had broken into her base-

ment and stolen her children's bicycles and a crossbow.

THEFTS

Thursday, Aug. 2 - At 12:57 p.m., a female reported that someone had stolen her and her son's bicycle seats while they were inside Memorial Hall Library.

Friday, Aug. 3 - At 10:09 a.m., a Somerset Road resident reported that he had some cash and jewelry stolen from his house by a guest.

Tuesday, Aug. 7 - At 12:09 p.m., a male from Minuteman Road reported a stolen laptop computer.

AUTO INCIDENTS

Wednesday, Aug. 1 - At 2:33 p.m., a person reported that while driving on Chandler Road a piece of rock struck and damaged her vehicle.

Thursday, Aug. 2 - At 5:22 p.m., a caller reported that a driver struck and killed a baby deer on Osgood Street.

Friday, Aug. 3 - At 1:29 p.m., a male reported that his laptop computer and a pair of sunglasses were stolen from his unlocked vehicle parked in Camp Lorraine Wednesday.

At 7:57 p.m., a River Road resident reported that a vehicle had struck a deer.

Sunday, Aug. 5 - At 1:51 a.m., a caller reported that his vehicle had broken down with two flat tires on Central Street when he stopped there to help his friend who also was broken down with two flat tires.

Monday, Aug. 6 - At 3:59 p.m., a caller from Phillips Academy reported

that an 18-wheeler truck had broken down on Main Street between School Street and Chapel Avenue. An officer determined that the vehicle was not a hazard where it was stopped, and it would be OK until a tow truck arrived.

At 8:59 p.m., a caller reported that a deer was struck on River Road by a passing vehicle.

Tuesday, Aug. 7 - At 1:18 a.m., a caller from the Ground Round reported that someone had broken into his van and taken a tool box.

At 9:54 a.m., a female reported that she was stuck inside her vehicle on Farrwood Drive. Her automatic locks were broken and the car did not have manual locks, she said. An officer helped the woman open the door to her car.

ACCIDENTS

Thursday, Aug. 2 - At 2:05 a.m., several people reported a car accident on Route 125. An ambulance responded to treat the injured parties.

Tuesday, Aug. 7 - At 8:19 a.m., an ambulance responded to South Main Street for a car accident. An officer called an ambulance to the scene to treat the injured parties.

At 5:03 p.m., an officer discovered a two-car accident on Shawsheen Road. Both vehicles were towed and an ambulance responded to the scene to treat the injured parties.

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Chang, Timothy Adam
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Cuevas, Tyina Lynne
Daly, Erin Cuffe
Davis, Benjamin John
Davis, Nicole Alyssa
Day, Roderick Utgoff
Filbin, Robert William
Fink, Jessica Susan
Flanagan, Tara Jean
Grabowski, Rose Anna

Hough, Catherine Mary
Iulucci, Marianne Danielle
Jenike, Eric Andrew
Kane, Jennifer Quigley
Kennedy, Cara-Marie
Kessler, Nils Hendrick
Kim, Sora Jennifer
Klayman, Elizabeth Jeannine
Lohar, Naseem Bano
MacKenzie, Nathan Paul
Magnan, Justin Phillip
McCumber, Lynne Meredith
McCurdy, Maura Degan
McDade, Melissa Honor
Mirza, Nida
Mohammed, Alia Joie
Ongondo, Owino Achieng
Pfeil, Emily Carol
Pierce, Stephanie Lee
Rainen, David Stein
Roda, Richard Americo
Schade, Nicholas Benjamin
Sermos, Caitlin Elizabeth
Shaw, Melanie Beth
Stolberg, Kaitlin Elizabeth
Suntharaput, Sorrawee
Tsang, On Kin

Tyler, Tamsin Elizabeth
Ventura, Kira Naomi
Volinski, Jeffrey Michael
Walsh, Keri Marie
Wen, Eugene Shanyow
Wolk, Rebecca Ann
Woo, Caitlin Susanne
Yen, Lesley Lynne
Young, Robin Lynne
Zanotti-Cavazzoni, Bruno
Zuena, Erin Elizabeth

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Brickley, Melissa Marie
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Byrne, Michael Thomas

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Cline, Jennifer Elise
Cohen, Matthew Scott
Collier, Melissa Sue
Conlon, Courtney Clair
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Deering, Joseph Patrick
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Pelletier, Nicholas William
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Ristuccia, John Michael
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Schofield, Hillary Barron
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Shanahan, Michael
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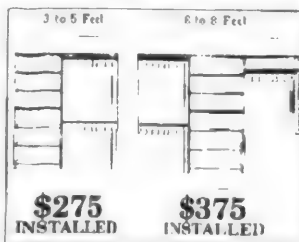
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Education

Teaching substance over style in the drive-thru age

Following class at Harvard, an Andover High School pair will teach a class on the media and democracy

By Adam Groff

Question the validity of this article — that will be one of the lessons Mary Robb and Fred Hopkins try to get across this fall when they teach a new elective at Andover High School on the media and democracy.

"We've seen an incredible need for media literacy and awareness," said Robb, a social studies teacher along with Hopkins. "Something like two-thirds to three-quarters of the information (students) get is from the media. It has such a large role in their lives, and our goal is to help them become critical recipients of that information."

In preparation for teaching the class, Robb and Hopkins applied and were accepted to Harvard University's Institute on the Media and American Democracy, which was held from July 22 to 28;

tuition was paid for all participants by charitable foundations. In attendance were 115 high-school teachers from 30 states and some from overseas. The institute is in its fifth year, and this year, featured panelists included such notables as Former Governor Michael Dukakis, Supreme Court correspondent Nina Totenberg of National Public Radio, anchor Natalie Jacobson of Boston's WCVB-TV News, Lance Morrow of *Time Magazine*, and Jill Abramson, Washington Bureau Chief of *The New York Times*. Every day for seven days, participants attended panel discussions from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. or later.

Robb said that some of these major media figures gave frank talks about the media and how it can be influenced by commercial considerations. She said Jacobson

spoke about the ongoing saturation coverage being given to the case of Chandra Levy, the missing Washington intern who, according to police sources, had an intimate relationship with California Congressman Gary Condit.

"She talked about how she personally thought it should get some attention, but maybe not as much as it got," said Robb. However, TV stations are "competing for audience, and that's what will get people to turn the channel."

Also, said Hopkins, "Covering stuff like O.J. (Simpson) and (Monica) Lewinsky and Chandra Levy is easier and less expensive than doing in-depth reporting on something else that might not turn out to be a story."

Robb said they discussed the changing nature of the newspaper

industry as well.

"For years and years (newspapers) were family-owned enterprises," she said, "but now most of them are part of corporate conglomerates, and they have to generate profit. So is what's being covered being covered because it's news, or because it will increase profit?"

These are the sorts of perspectives Robb and Hopkins hope to bring into their course this fall.

"Some of it was really practical, and I feel a lot better prepared to teach the course," said Hopkins of the experience, which involved participants working in small groups to address specific questions and present results at the end of the week. "I really think this is a class about current events, and it could get kids excited about participating in democracy."

Robb agreed, noting that about half the semester will be devoted to learning about American government and politics, a topic that is generally only treated in American history classes in Massachusetts high schools. The two teachers hope that blending that topic with an understanding of the impact of the media will help students be more thoughtful and informed citizens.

"I guess what we're trying to do is help students decide what is really of value out of the thousands of messages that come at them every day," said Robb. "One of the things that I worry about is that more and more, our culture is moving more toward image than substance. Andover is a town that has a wonderful image, and I want to make sure that the substance matches that."

At South: cookies, chips to be shelved; salad, soups get chance

SCHOOL SNACKS

Continued from page 1

consider offering fewer choices, adding soup to the menu, and restricting the snack food offerings to things like popcorn and pretzels. Then, at the end of July, Hender, Diane Costagliola of South PTO, and Pat D'Ambra of Bancroft PTO met with school department business manager Bernie Tuttle to discuss the matter further; Tuttle said he would ask Pappa what might be done.

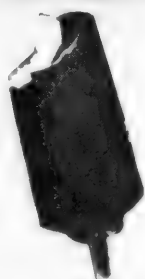
"That's all of my No. 1-selling items they're questioning," said Pappa on Tuesday, after conferring with Tuttle. Pappa cited several reasons that she must, to some extent, offer kids what they want for lunch. For one thing, the federal government subsidizes school-lunch programs based on the rate of participation; therefore, if fewer students participate because they don't like what's offered, then the food-service program gets less government support. For another thing, aside from federal-government support, the food service program in Andover, as in many public school districts, is self-supporting (as opposed to being subsidized with money approved at Town Meeting), and snack foods bring in much-needed revenue.

The foods offered in the school cafeterias are divided into two categories, said Pappa. Basic lunches, called "type A," are federally approved and subsidized meals that conform to government guidelines for nutrition and calorie con-

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tent. Type A lunches in Andover cost \$1.50 in the elementary schools, and \$1.75 in middle and high school. All the other offerings are called "a la carte" items, and students have to pay extra for them, normally around 50 cents for a bag of chips or a cookie.

"I don't make money on type A unless I do a high volume," said Pappa. "I make it all on a la carte. If I pay 40 cents for an a la carte item, I charge a dollar for it. That's the only way I pay my staff and make equipment repairs and upgrades and keep the program strong."

Nonetheless, aware of parent concerns, Pappa arranged to pilot a fruit-and-salad bar this fall at South and Sanborn schools. Now, however, she has decided to take bolder steps, but only at South, where Costagliola is PTO president, and for only one to two months.

"I can't do it districtwide," said Pappa. "It's too big of a financial risk."

This fall at South, according to her tentative plan, there will be one

offering each day for a basic lunch, rather than the three that students previously enjoyed. Soup will be offered along with a sandwich, which will qualify the offering for federal subsidy. Instead of the array of chips and ice cream available for an extra charge previously, there now will be four snack foods available at South: popcorn, soft pretzels, bagels and cream cheese, and two kinds of sugar-free ice cream.

At the end of the trial period, Pappa will do the accounting for the school and see how the program fared financially and in terms of student participation. Years of experience tell her that a lot of kids "are not going to eat the vegetables even if they're starving to death," but she says she's willing to give the revisions a try.

"If these people are right, and these kids are really going to eat salads and stuff, then that's where I'm going," she said. "I've been wrong before."

However, Pappa said that the new kind of ice cream that will be available at South is more expen-

sive than the conventional offerings. It will cost kids 75 cents rather than 50, an example, she said, of a wider reality: more nutritious foods in general tend to be more expensive than other foods.

"I've been busting my butt not to raise prices in this district," she said, "but (the parents asking for the changes) don't seem to think raising prices is a problem."

While Pappa can price a la carte items as she sees fit, any changes to the price of a basic lunch have to

approved by the School Committee.

"We don't expect that it's going to go from junk-food alley to an organic farm," said Costagliola when told about the changes proposed for South. She praised Pappa's salad-bar initiative, but she had some concern that the broader changes might be rather abrupt. "We expect little, incremental changes. You can try it to see if it will work, or you can try it to see if it will fail."

School lunches a topic to chew on

Parents at Pomp's Pond on Monday said that having snacks available to their children at school is probably not good for them, but said they were comfortable with limited consumption. Their children were predictably pro-snack.

"I do give (my son) extra money for a treat," said RickaMae Birnbaum of High Street. "I didn't in the beginning, but then I had a soft mom moment, and I kind of institutionalized it to once a week." She said that another reason she gives her son, Zachary Weiss, extra money for snacks is that all his friends buy them. "I'd love it if there were healthier choices," said Birnbaum, "because I don't, of course, know what he's picking."

"I think it's good (to be able to buy a snack) if you have an extra dollar," said Zachary Weiss, who will be in third grade at Bancroft School in the fall. "But not every day."

Why not every day? "Umm... nutrition?" he ventured.

Alison Okun of Rattlesnake Hill Road said she was not overly concerned about the issue for her daughter, Samantha. "She only buys (snacks) once in a while, so that's OK," said Alison Okun. "I wouldn't want her buying them everyday."

Samantha Okun, who will be in third grade at South School in September, said that her favorite snack is Cheetos, and she offered a reason for this. "Because they're good."



RickaMae Birnbaum: Snacks once a week are OK

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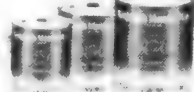
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■ ANOTHER GROWING CONGREGATION

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Church members have no formal plans, but the parish has formed a building committee to assess the church's needs. One possible plan is an expansion with 10 classrooms at the corner of School and Central Streets, he says. The committee has already held one informational meeting for the neighborhood, but only two residents showed up, Keene adds. The committee plans to hold a second meeting in September.

Other churches currently expanding or planning to expand include West Parish Church, Free Christian Church, St. Augustine Church and New England Bible Church. The Chinmaya Mission group has also broken ground at 1 Union St. to build a Hindu worship and education center.

— Rebecca Piro

Spirit of '76

The Andover High School Class of 1976 will hold its 25th reunion on Saturday evening, Nov. 24 at the Andover Country Club. Members of the Class of 1976 or people who know members may send names and addresses by e-mail to <andoverhigh76@hotmail.com>, or call Maria Marasco at 978-475-0289.

The reunion will be held from 6 to 11 p.m. The evening will include a cocktail reception, dinner and dancing. Invitations will be mailed in September with detailed information, say organizers.

Money for monthly trips

Ashley Dias, the Andover teenager who received a successful double-lung transplant in April, must now return once a month for the next year to Los Angeles for a checkup. She and her mom, Marylynne Dias, are being assisted in defraying the substantial travel costs by the organization that helped them before the surgery as well — the Children's Organ Transplant Association. COTA establishes funds for children in need of transplants and assists them with the funds' interest.

Children's Organ Transplant Association can be contacted at 2501 Cota Dr., Bloomington, Ind. 47403, by calling 1-800-366-2682 or at <www.cota.org>.

Marylynne Dias also said that a 42-year-old woman in Dracut with the same disease as Ashley, cystic fibrosis, now needs the same lung-transplant operation. She is waiting to have it performed at the New England Medical Center in Boston, and it will be the first such operation performed there. Marylynne Dias said the woman and her family have been in touch with the Dias family for information and support.

— Adam Groff

Chamber scores with Celtics

Seems members of the Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce like basketball.

Chamber president Joseph Bevilacqua said the group's trips into Boston for Celtics games are hits with members. So, the Chamber put a twist on things and is bringing the Celtics here.

Next Tuesday, Aug. 14, Boston Celtics head coach Jim O'Brien and general manager Chris Wallace are guests of a \$20 Chamber-sponsored luncheon. They will host a "chalk talk" and Celtics legend Jo Jo White is expected. Autographs and a raffle are planned and the Celtic's mascot, Lucky, will make an appearance.

"You can't get any closer to the Celtics," Bevilacqua said. The public is invited to the event, being held at noon at Merrimack College's Cascia Hall (the white church on campus). "We hope people will come and bring their families," Bevilacqua said.

Social scene

What summer vacation? 100 at mixer

The oppressive heat moved Tuesday night's mixer for members of the Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce indoors, where air-conditioning kept socializers cool.

The outside tent had no takers, but the Lanam Club's indoor tables were filled as members of the greater Andover business community enjoyed a full-course meal capped off with a make-your-own ice-cream-sundae table.

About 100 business professionals attended the mixer. The chamber hosts two after-work networking mixers a month at various sites around greater Andover. Members represented a cross-section of local businesses, including banks, hotels, non-profit groups, funeral homes, and small businesses.

"Most Chambers close down for the summer, but not us. Look at this crowd. Everyone is networking, introducing themselves and making contacts," said Chamber president Joseph Bevilacqua

who's always ready to add the plug, "this Chamber is the largest in New England."

VJ Mill III of Andover, whose family has owned and operated Lawrence Pumps since 1935, is a frequent socializer at the Chamber mixers. His company has 120 employees and specializes in engineering pumps for business applications.

"These (mixers) are a good way to give a company exposure and find out who wants to network," Mill said.

For Fred Nash, the networking focus was signs. He owns Sign-A-Rama of North Andover and his clients include many Andover businesses. Pottery Potentials, Perfecto's, and Shaban Tailors are all my customers," Nash said.

That's when Shaban Catalbas,

owner of Shaban Tailors on Andover's Chestnut Street, said his new business is going well and that he has no regrets about breaking out on his own. He formerly worked as a tailor for Kaps at the Burlington Mall for 15 years. Kaps also has a store on Andover's Main Street.

Catalbas is a newcomer to the Chamber mixers, but agreed that the event is an important one for any local small-business owner. Potential customers were numerous.

Next Tuesday, the Chamber is hosting a "chalk talk" luncheon with Boston Celtics general manager Chris Wallace and head coach Jim O'Brien. When complimentary tickets to the event were raffled, Catalbas took a pass. He already knows O'Brien quite well. He has been his tailor for years.

— Judy Wakefield



Tailor Shaban Catalbas shares a chuckle with Whitney Stuart of Whitney's Custom Jewelry.



Leonard Wilson of First Essex Bank greets William E. Hannom III and Sara Goldsmith Schwartz, both of the Schwartz-Hannum law practice.

Man in court today to save, move Leno home

Tonight Show host Jay Leno's home is still standing, but there's no guarantee it will stay that way for long.

A Rhode Island man who claims to have the right to Leno's boyhood home is trying to win a temporary restraining order to prevent the house's demolition, says Paul Burke, clerk magistrate at Lawrence Housing Court.

"As far as this court is concerned, there is no order prohibiting the current owner of that property from taking it down," Burke says. "A gentleman who does list a Rhode Island address filed a complaint and is seeking a restraining order. It has not been granted yet."

Robert Sahajian of Rhode Island is scheduled to appear before a judge today, Thursday, at 9 a.m. to fight for

that restraining order. He told *The Eagle-Tribune* he has a verbal agreement with Wynwood Associates developer Todd Wacome to buy the 1952 gray Cape at 32 Clark Road for \$1 — an agreement he says he made when he heard the celebrity's home would be razed to make way for a multi-million-dollar mansion.

The *Tribune* says Sahajian "got nervous" that Wacome would tear down the house before Sahajian could move it to a site in Johnston, R.I., so Sahajian filed for an injunction to stop him.

Burke confirmed Tuesday that Sahajian does indeed claim to have a verbal agreement with Wacome, but would not speculate as to how Sahajian would prove it or what evidence he

might present.

"Obviously, it's the plaintiff's burden to prove an allegation to the court," says Burke. Verbal agreements have been upheld in courts in the past, he adds.

As of Tuesday, Wacome had not filed a response to Sahajian's complaint, which the court had received at 1:20 p.m. Monday. He also did not answer several phone calls from the *Townsmen* Tuesday.

Wynwood has received a demolition permit from the town's building department and holds a written contract with Kidder Wrecking Co. of New Hampshire. Wacome told the *Townsmen* two weeks ago that he did not have a set date for the demolition.

— Rebecca Piro

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Five-foot-tall talking robots Kids will give birth to those and more at DCS

By Devon O'Neal

Kid-sized robots in Andover? A new workshop has been designed to allow children to work at their own pace and build a variety of robots, including kid-sized 'bots and others that can play soccer.

The soccer robots will have six legs and a mini soccer ball to kick around. Kids can use their high-tech Mia Hamms to play games with fellow robots.

This robotics workshop was created to allow children to use their minds, helping to turn the gears in their heads as well as in their creations. It will be held on Aug. 15 and 16 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Bancroft School. It's already the third in a series of robot-building workshops offered by the community services department.

Ten-year-old Kevin Birch has been involved with two previous workshops, and during the most recent of these he created a sumo-wrestling robot. "It was fun and I had done the hyper-peppy (robot) class before I did this one," he says. The sumo-wrestling robots were built from kits and included infrared sensors and circuit boards. When the electronic devices in the robots were aligned properly, the robots would charge each other and "wrestle."

Although more boys tend to gravitate toward these workshops, they also attract a small selection of girls. Andover resident Kelsey



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Ready to rumble - Kevin Birch is one of several kids interested in building robots - including those that sumo wrestle.

Lim says that she joined the upcoming workshop because, "It sounded like a lot of fun, I help my dad with similar things in his workshop, and I wanted to find out how they work and what they do."

During the upcoming workshop, children will create three different projects: a Voxcenturion robot, the soccer robot, and a half-

crocodile, half-robot called a Crocosaurus.

Groups of 10 kids and one instructor will need to work in teams to create the five-foot Voxcenturion robot, which will be as tall as many of its builders. This warrior has 450 pieces including wires, motors and a special voice-recording device that children can use to record comments.

16 from Andover run Beachy 10K

Sixteen runners from Andover took part in last weekend's Peo-

ples Beach to Beacon 10K race in Cape Elizabeth, Maine.

Founded by Olympian gold medalist and Maine resident Joan Benoit Samuelson and Peoples Heritage Bank, the 6.2-mile race attracted 3,700 runners and 10,000 spectators last Saturday. The Andoverites ran alongside some of the top runners in the world, including Kenyans Catherine

Ndereba and Evans Rutto, who earned first place in the women's and men's divisions respectively.

The Andover runners included: Bill Baldwin, Kendra Bower, Gene Brady, Ryan Buckley, Ellen Buckley, Don Bulens, Lynne Capozzi, Deb Drake, Jacqui Graham, Rushna Heneghan, Aileen Mason, Craig Nelson, Heather Redding, Bob Rogers, Jennifer Ross, and Gretchen Wilson.

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Arts & Entertainment

The wheel deal: 'Tempest' in a skate park

For the third year, Shakespeare collides with skating in a youth production

By Kristen Munson

Tiki torches, sarongs, and Hawaiian print shirts. There's nothing like Shakespeare in the park – the Andover skate park, that is. Especially when admission is free.

This summer's annual Shakespeare production of *The Tempest* whirls into production Monday, Aug. 13 at 7:30 p.m. and will mark the third anniversary of the skate park's opening. Expect everything, "spirits, spells, and music," says recent Andover High graduate and actress Sora Kim. Viewers can also expect to see young actors and young skaters combining to create a unique performance.

Co-directors Allison Colbert and Ruby Nieves also have joined forces for an Andover High/Phillips Academy coalition. "It's been quite an experience. This is my first time directing Shakespeare and I definitely didn't want to do it alone," says Colbert. From the auditions, to the nightly rehearsals, the two have collaborated and combined their visions for the play. The setting is tropical. Think *Survivor* motif.

The Phillips Academy graduate has siblings in the performance. Her twin brothers, Bradford and Matthew, will be portraying the characters of Stefano and Tranquilo for the production she calls, "opposite of theater-in-the-round." With sea squalls, assassination plots and skateboards flying about, the audience will have to move around almost as much as the cast members.

"We're not building sets. We're using (ones) that already exist," says Colbert. The skate park is the ideal setting for Shakespeare, she says. "It wouldn't be a show without it," Kim says.

The original idea for Shakespeare in the skate park came from adult youth council member Carole Chandler. "How does an idea happen?" she asks. "Looking at the structure – the pyramid, the half-pipe, the snowplow – the structures have wonderful geometric properties. (It's a) natural stage set for action, for drama, for theater. Shakespeare (plays are) gold mines, with such depth that they're able to be put (on) in places that are alternative, where they just come alive."

So they can be performed somewhere that by day is a skate park, but by night is a stage set for the unexpected.

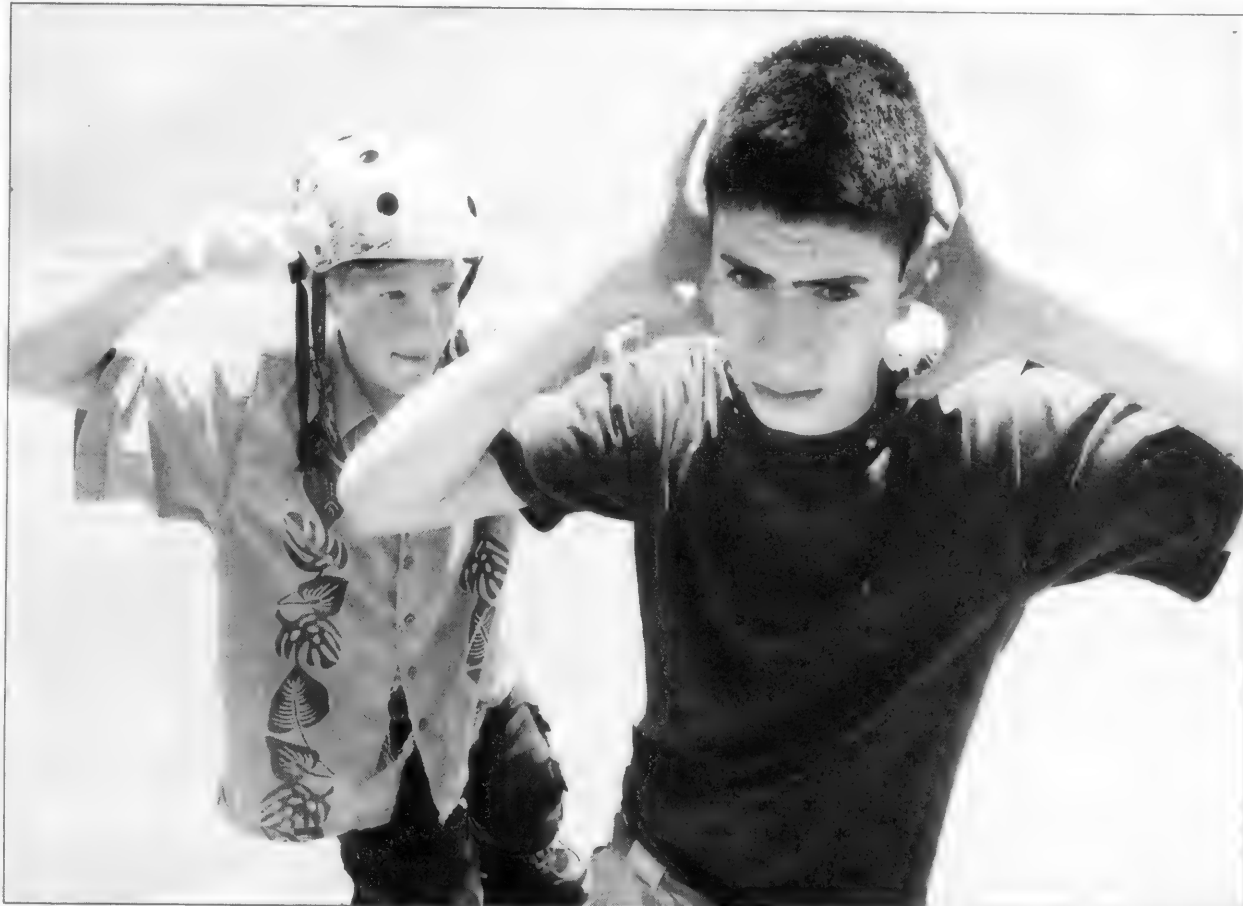


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A spirit, played by Jeff Salvesen at left, spooks Prince Ferdinand (Dan Serna's character) in the Andover Youth Service's production of *'The Tempest,'* set to roll on Monday, Aug. 13.

"Here is a place where kids congregate," explains Chandler. "This is their environment, where they are comfortable. It's introducing something that kids think, 'This has nothing to do with me,' and ends up drawing in one or two kids who would never (be involved) otherwise."

With a budget "that operates on a shoe string," says

Chandler, the cost of the play is largely absorbed by Friends of Andover Youth.

According to Chandler, no rain date is scheduled. After all, "This is New England. If it rains we will still be out there – at least for ourselves."

Kristen Munson is an intern at the Townsman.



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Stephano (Brad Colbert) stands by Caliban (Martin Serna), a native of the island portrayed in *'The Tempest,'* as he is ridiculed by Trincolo (Matt Colbert, not seen here, but pictured on page 1).



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

King Alonso (Julia Kwolyk) pushes away Sebastian (Jeff Salvesen), the king's brother, as the king's advisor Gonzalo (Christa Milley) looks to mediate.

EVENTS CALENDAR

Thursday, Aug. 9

A Walk Through Time, Skug River and soapstone quarry walking tour led by archaeologist Eugene Winter, 6:30 p.m., \$2 members, \$5 non-members, meet at Andover Historical Society to carpool, 97 Main St.; 978-475-2236.

Exhibit opening reception, Elizabeth Caruso's exhibit of Xerox prints, 6-8 p.m., McQuade Library, Merrimack College; 781-891-0205.

R-rated film,

Whipped, 7 p.m., \$5 and *I'd Rather Be Sleeping*, at 9 p.m., \$8. Wingate Street Theatre, Haverhill; Robin Hordon <robinhordon@juno.com>.



'Sleeping' star Kerry Talmage

Children's show, *Coyote, Crow and Buffalo*, animated show based on Native American tales, 11 a.m., free, part of Lowell's Summer Music Series, Boarding House Park, downtown Lowell; 978-970-5000.

Homebased Businesswomen's Network meeting, 8:30 a.m., Village Green Restaurant, Danvers; Terri Vickers 781-558-1367 or Vick-ers2@netscape.com

Friday, Aug. 10

Big band live music, with Guy Lomardo's Royal Canadians with Al Pier-son, part of Lowell's Summer Music Series, \$5, children under 12 free, 8 p.m., Boarding House Park, downtown Lowell; 978-970-5000.

De Juno, a stage play, McDonough Street Studios, \$10, 8 p.m., McDonough Street, Portsmouth, N.H.; 603-926-7180.

Live comedy, 9:30 p.m., Frank Santorelli, Bob Niles, Jay Savage, call for prices, Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, Rte. 125, North Andover; 781-938-8088.

Saturday, Aug. 11

Den Rock Park Family Day, featuring rock climbing, bird walk, and guided mountain bike ride, 8 a.m.-2 p.m., Den Rock Park, Rte. 114, South Lawrence; Merrimack Watershed Council 978-681-5777, Ext. 11.

Folksinger Ellis Paul, part of Lowell's Summer Music Series, \$5, children under 12 free, 8 p.m., Boarding House Park, downtown Lowell; 978-970-5000.

Children's show, featuring children's folksinger Susie Burke, 11 a.m., free, part of Lowell's Summer Music Series, Boarding House Park, downtown Lowell; 978-970-5000.

Canal Heritage Days, 10:30 a.m.-5

p.m., various events planned including free boat tours, canal walks, and videos, sponsored by Lowell National Historical Park, 67 Kirk St., Lowell; 978-970-5000 or www.nps.gov/lowe/canalheritage.

Collectibles show, \$2, under 12 free, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Lions Hall, 12 Lions Ave., Hudson, N.H.; 603-880-7528 or www.showmenu.com.

Live comedy, 9:30 p.m., Frank Santorelli, Bob Niles, Jay Savage, call for prices, Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, Rte. 125, North Andover; 781-938-8088.

De Juno, see Aug. 10 entry.

Sunday, Aug. 12

Trolley tour of Lawrence's historic mill district, free, every hour 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Lawrence Heritage State Park Visitors Center, 1 Jackson St., Lawrence; reservations 978-794-1655.

Canal Heritage Days, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., various events planned including canal walks and slide show, sponsored by Middlesex Canal Museum & Visitor Center, 71 Faulkner St., Billerica; 978-970-5000 or <www.nps.gov/lowe/canalheritage>.

Recreational bike ride, sponsored by North Shore Cyclists, 9 a.m. for 65 miles, 10 a.m. for 35 miles, Maudslay State Park, Newburyport; Scott, Dianalynn Sirot 978-255-1774.

De Juno, 7 p.m., see Aug. 10 entry.

Monday, Aug. 13

The Tempest, presented by Andover Youth Services, annual Shakespeare in the Skate Park production, free, 7:30 p.m., skate park behind West Middle School; Sora Kim 978-475-5131.

Tuesday, Aug. 14

No events scheduled.

Wednesday, Aug. 15

Organ recital, featuring Stefan Kozinski of Germany, \$6 adults, \$1 children under 12, 8 p.m., Methuen Memorial Music Hall, Broadway (Rte. 28),

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EVENTS CALENDAR

Methuen; 978-683-6108.

Information session for women in transition, by North Shore Community College, 7 p.m., Beverly Sohler Road campus, Room 224, Beverly; Judy Putnam 978-762-4000, Ext. 5515.

Thursday, Aug. 16

Live jazz, featuring the All Star Jazz Ensemble, free, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Northern Essex Community College, front lawn of Haverhill campus, Eliot Way, Haverhill, bring blankets, chairs, picnics; 978-556-3789.

Live music, featuring Joel Mason's tribute to Elton John and Kevin White's tribute to Garth Brooks, benefits Methuen Patrolmen's Local 396, \$15, 7:30 p.m., Wyndham Andover.

Curator talk/house tour, *Women's Work: The Lives of Jehoadan Ward, Hannah Crowninshield and Sarah Gardner*, \$13 members, 3 p.m., Phillips Library, Peabody Essex Museum, East India Square, Salem, Mass.; 978-745-9500 or <www.pem.org>.

Blue fish and striped bass fishing tournament, sponsored by the Greater Newburyport Chamber of Commerce and Industry; 978-462-6680 or <info@newburyportchamber.org>.

Exhibit opening, Plein Air-Plus, featuring works by several artists, Newburyport Art Association, Sam Sargent Gallery, 65 Water St., Newburyport, through Aug. 17; 978-463-0640.

Friday, Aug. 17

Opening reception, Plein Air-Plus which features works by several artists, 7-9 p.m., Newburyport Art Association, Sam Sargent Gallery, 65

Water St., Newburyport; 978-463-0640.

Live comedy, 9:30 p.m., Jim Colliton, Ira Proctor, Troy Diamond, call for prices, Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, Rte. 125, North Andover; 781-938-8088.

De Juno, see Aug. 10 entry.

Blue fish and striped bass fishing tournament, see Aug. 16 entry.

Saturday, Aug. 18

Annual fishing festival for families, free, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., rods provided, tips on fishing, games, raffles and instruction on baiting by the Massachusetts Division of Fish and Wildlife, Harold Parker State Forest, Sudden Pond, off Salem Street, North Andover; Anna Cappello 978-475-7972 or <annabel1977@hotmail.com>.

Free kid's movie, *Casper*, dusk, Northern Essex Community College, 45 Franklin St., Lawrence; 978-738-7402.

Seafood festival, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.,

behind the Maritime Museum, downtown Newburyport on the waterfront; 978-462-6680 or <info@newburyportchamber.org>.

Live comedy, 9:30 p.m., Jim Colliton, Ira Proctor, Troy Diamond, call for prices, Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, Rte. 125, North Andover; 781-938-8088.

Gloucester Waterfront Festival, throughout the day, featuring various activities including craft show, food, and live entertainment, Stacy Boulevard, Gloucester; 978-283-1601 or <www.waterfrontfestivals.com>.

Craft fair, \$5, \$4 children, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m., Wenham Museum, 132 Main St., Wenham; 978-468-2377.

De Juno, see Aug. 10 entry.

Blue fish and striped bass fishing tournament, see Aug. 16 entry.

Sunday, Aug. 19

Rock Run motorcycle ride, benefits the MSPCA Small Animal Shelter at Nevins Farm, starts at 9 a.m. at Aegean Drive, Methuen, ends at Topsfield Fairgrounds; 978-698-9483.

Live classical music, sponsored by Music at Eden's Edge, anniversary party follows, \$17, 7:30 p.m., Hammond Castle Museum, 80 Hesperus Ave., Gloucester; 978-283-7673.

De Juno, 7 p.m., see Aug. 10 entry.

Seafood festival, see Aug. 18 entry.

Barn Museum: house contains period rooms from 1820s to 1840s, with 19th-century farm and woodworking tools; Spirit of Art and History, part of Contemporary Artist Series, featuring Mark Towner's collages through Aug. 24. Blacksmithing tools from Frederick P. Taft Collection ongoing; open Tuesdays through Fridays, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., closed Saturdays until after Labor Day; open by appointment only, Aug. 26-Sept. 8, adults, \$4 for house tour and/or research library, children, \$2; members free; 978-475-2286.

Museum of Printing, 800 Massachusetts Ave., North Andover, featuring antique printing equipment, \$5 admission, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sunday, 1-5 p.m.; 978-686-0454 or <www.museumofprinting.org>.

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Business

IN BRIEF

NaviSite lays off 90 in Andover

NaviSite dismissed approximately 90 Andover workers Tuesday when it announced a total of 126 layoffs.

The cuts were unavoidable because of the slumping economy, said Jay Seaton, marketing vice president, who told *The Eagle-Tribune* that in addition to the 90 Andover workers, about 36 additional workers were laid off from the company's sites in California and the United Kingdom.

Seaton was not available for comment this week, and other company employees refused to comment in his place.

Net losses last quarter for the Web-site hosting provider amounted to \$29.3 million. NaviSite is a subsidiary of Andover-based CMGI.

— Rebecca Piro

Grosser joins AccuBanc

Mario Grosser of Andover has joined AccuBanc Mortgage as a mortgage officer in the Burlington branch office. Grosser holds a bachelor's degree from Columbia University and an MBA from Northeastern University. He has resided in Andover for the past 21 years. During this time he has been an active member of the Jewish Federation of the Merrimack Valley and served on the board of directors of the Solomon Schester Day School and the Merrimack Valley Jewish Community Day Camp.

Trading pencils for hammers

Andover resident Thomas M. Feeley, managing partner of Feeley & Driscoll, and other employees of that 90-person, Boston-based, certified public accounting/business consulting firm recently volunteered for the Greater Lawrence Habitat for Humanity. Interior and exterior finishing and landscaping was done at three houses on Tenney Street in Methuen.

Two out of three in real estate

Kathy Cyrier and Amy Sebell of Andover's Prudential Howe & Doherty Realtors have placed No. 2 and No. 3, respectively, in Massachusetts for exceptional accomplishment in residential sales achievement in their company, for the second quarter of 2001. The Prudential Real Estate Affiliates Inc. sales associates that qualify for this award must place in the top three in their office and rank nationally in the Prudential Real Estate Network.

Town's lone towing company 'in limbo'

Zoning Board indicates town will lift some, but not all, restrictions

By Rebecca Piro

The fate of Elm Street Auto, the only towing facility in town, remains up in the air.

Owner Ron Abraham is still waiting to hear whether the Zoning Board of Appeals will grant him the variances he says he needs to stay in business.

"I'm kind of in a state of limbo," he says.

Last month Abraham asked the ZBA to slash restrictions on his business that legally prevent him from towing 24 hours per day, seven days per week. They also prohibit him from parking wreckers and towed vehicles on the street and on a paved portion of Rogers Dell conservation land located near his Lupine Road facility.

At the hearing, Abraham and his lawyer, Andrew Caffrey, told the ZBA that Elm Street Auto cannot handle the volume of business in town and comply with the current restrictions. If the ZBA did not grant his requests, Abraham said he would have to take his business elsewhere — out of Andover — stranding many



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

It appears the town zoning board will allow Elm Street Auto to operate around the clock, but will not allow it special parking privileges on conservation land.

loyal customers and the police and fire department, with whom Abraham holds contracts to tow vehicles involved in accidents.

The ZBA has 90 days, following the date of the opening hearing, to file an official decision with the town clerk. The decision has not yet been filed, but ZBA Chairman Dan Casper recently revealed some of what the decision states.

"We gave him some of what he asked for. We did not remove the restriction that says you can't put the towed cars on conservation land. We did allow employees to park (on conservation land), because the public parks there and we didn't think we should discriminate against (the employees). And we did allow emergency towing 24 (hours per day), seven (days per week)," says Casper.

That may not be enough to satisfy Abraham. Until the decision is filed — which Casper says will happen any day — Abraham is mulling his options.

"An appeal is an option," he says. "I'm waiting (to see) a written decision. (Until then), I'll sit back and wait to see what will happen."

Abraham says several of

his customers are behind him, ready to begin a writing campaign to petition the Board of Selectmen to keep Elm Street Auto in town. "Quite a few customers are concerned about it," Abraham says. "I'm talking (about) total strangers who want to help me."

Abraham's ZBA permit was last altered in 1985. He admits that since then he has increasingly violated the restrictions, trying to keep pace with the growing demands for towing in a town with more traffic than ever before. Several Lupine Road residents attended the July hearing to protest Abraham's request, stating that Abraham's employees and vehicles regularly block the road for through traffic.

"We tried to strike a balance to be fair to him and the neighbors," says Casper.

FOUR-WHEEL WINNER



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Sarah Creese won the downtown business coloring contest and picked up a new Trek Mountain Lion bike at the Andover Cycle Stop.

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Drinon of the Round Table

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Sports

Comeback kids: Little League All-Stars nab district title

By Rick Harrison

The Andover National Major 9-10 Little League All-Stars won the District 14 Tournament championship recently, completing an impressive climb out of the loser's bracket with a 3-1 win over defending champ Tewksbury American in the winner-take-all title game played at Methuen East.

It was the fifth-straight tourney triumph for the locals, who finished 6-1 overall, including earlier loser's bracket victories over North Andover National (4-3), Andover American (16-6) and Tewksbury National (11-9).

A-N was then forced to beat previously-undefeated Tewksbury American twice in the championship round, with the earlier win by a 10-4 score.

This was a rematch of last year's two District 14 finalists (though with different players), with Andover National getting revenge after Tewksbury American won the 2000 title with a 5-2 victory.

The Nationals finished with a 13-4 overall record this summer, also going 3-1 in the Chelmsford Invitational and 4-2 in the Haverhill Riverside/Bradford Invitational.

The locals four tournament losses came by a total of five runs, including one-run defeats against Marlboro at Chelmsford, Haverhill Tri-Star at Haverhill and a two-run setback to Tewksbury American (8-6) in a District 14 early-round game.

Yastrzemski leads team

Mike Yastrzemski led the team in hitting with a .646 average for 17 games. He roped 10 doubles, a

team-high four triples and collected 14 RBI.

Sean Ehlbeck hit .577 with a team-high 28 RBI, George Flanagan .472 with 10 doubles and 15 RBI, and Eddie Dix .460 with a team-high two homers and 13 RBI.

Other offensive leaders were Mike Todisco (.366), John Haak (.366, one homer, 11 RBI), Nolan Gerding (.333) and Andrew Walker (.280).

Ehlbeck played a part in more than half the victories on the mound, finishing with a 4-0 record and three saves. His ERA was a microscopic 0.23.

Walker, Yastrzemski and Flanagan also pitched well for A-N.

The team batting average was a hefty .376 and the team ERA an impressive 2.71.

Yastrzemski and Ehlbeck combined for 100 at-bats and between them only struck out once.

Champs' roster

The champs' complete roster is Josh Devine, Eddie Dix, Sean Ehlbeck, George Flanagan, Nolan Gerding, Walter Gillis, John Haak, Brendan McCarron, Armando McLaughlin, Nick Sylvester, Mike Todisco, Matt Vetere, Andrew Walker and Mike Yastrzemski.

Guy Ehlbeck was the manager and the coaches were Scott Devine, Dave Flanagan and Galen Cawley.

**DISTRICT 14 TOURNAMENT
CHAMPIONSHIP GAME
Andover National 3
Tewksbury American 1**



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Lefthander Sean Ehlbeck, the winning pitcher, lets a pitch fly during the championship game against Tewksbury.



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

The team embraces its trophy. Players also took a celebratory lap around the base paths.

Sean Ehlbeck tossed a complete-game four-hitter, fanning five and walking two while surrendering one unearned run. The effort left him at 2-0 with three saves in the seven district games.

Andover snapped a scoreless tie with two runs in the top of the fourth. John Haak drew a one-out walk, advanced on a passed ball and scored when Mike Todisco singled to right-center. Todisco scored the eventual winning run moments later on an outfield error.

The insurance run came in the

fifth as Mike Yastrzemski belted a triple to right-center and George Flanagan followed with an RBI single up the middle.

Tewksbury spoiled the shutout bid in the bottom of the fifth, placing two runners aboard with no outs on an error and walk.

The next batter grounded to Flanagan at short and he almost pulled off a triple play. Flanagan stepped on second base and threw to first for the double play. The throw home was a shade late as the runner gambled and scored

from second.

Ehlbeck finished the game with a flourish by retiring Tewksbury 1-2-3 on three ground balls in the bottom of the sixth.

Yastrzemski finished 2-for-3 and Todisco was 2-for-2 with a double.

Ehlbeck and John Haak contributed a single each to the champs' six-hit attack.

Defensive standouts were shortstop Flanagan, third baseman Nick Sylvester and catcher Eddie Dix.

Legion team posts fine 18-5 baseball season

It ends at hands of defending state champs

By Rick Harrison

The Andover Post 8 American Legion baseball team recently completed another outstanding season, finishing 18-5 overall while advancing to the second round of sectional playoffs.

They were the top team in District 8 during the regular season, and then swept the Cambridge Knights in the first round of playoffs before losing to defending state champ Lowell Post 87.

At presstime Lowell, Milford, Norwood and Brockton were still alive in this week's eight-team State Tournament at Tivnan Field in Worcester while Framingham, Taunton, East Boston and host West Boylston had been ousted.

The state champ advances to the Northeast Regionals Aug. 16 to 20 at Muzzy Field in Bristol, Conn.

The Legion World Series is in Yakima, Wash., from Aug. 24 to 28.

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Pony League

Three to get ready – for finals

Trio of Andover baseball teams alive in summer playoffs

All three Andover teams in the Sonny Robbins Pony League were still alive in the double-elimination playoffs as the *Townsmen* went to press earlier this week.

In the 14-15 age bracket, playoff top seed Andover Blue was 2-0 and headed for a winner's bracket showdown with No. 3 seed Lowell (2-0) at Peter Aumais Park at Andover High School.

Blue destroyed Stoneham, 26-3, in its playoff opener and defeated North Andover in a second-round game.

Lowell had knocked off Wilm-

ington, 12-1, and No. 2 seed Chelmsford, 9-6.

Andover Gold was 2-1 with a loss to North Andover and wins over Stoneham (forfeit) and Londonderry, N.H.

Gold was trying to stay alive with a game against Wilmington.

The championship round will be played this Saturday and, if necessary, Sunday, with the field undetermined at presstime.

13-year-old division

In the 13-year-old division, top

seed Andover was 2-1 and scheduled to host Lynnfield (2-1) in the loser's bracket final last night at Aumais Park.

The Andover loss came against surprising fifth-seed Lowell, which is 3-0 in the playoffs and has advanced to the championship round where it awaits the Andover-Lynnfield winner tomorrow night (Friday).

Lowell handed Andover its playoff loss, 5-3, as Dan Vining belted two doubles. Mike Bruno had one double and Mike DeAngelo singled for the locals.

Andover Soccer Camp scores with 25th birthday

By Kristen Munson

The Andover Soccer Camp celebrated its 25th birthday last week at Phillips Academy. Since its conception in 1977 by Dave Amundsen and Bill Tarbox, the program has evolved from a one-week session with 100 children, to a five-week, 825-child event.

It began as "a nice way to offer some instruction on what was a fairly new game in Andover," says Amundsen. The town embraced the sport, and popular demand fueled the expansion that attracted players and varsity coaches from all over the Merrimack Valley.

Campers range from age 6 to 18 and participate in "age-appropriate soccer skills," says program coordinator Mike Kuta. Except during the first week, when children ages 6 to 8 attend, the camp runs from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The middle three weeks host children ages 8 to 12, and the program wraps up with one week devoted to teaching high-school students. There is also a special program for goalies included within that session.

Whether playing scrimmages, swimming in the Phillips Academy pool, or watching the Women's World Cup Tournament during lunch, campers are learning "the skills they need to compete, and good sportsmanship," says Amundsen.

One person willing to testify to that is camper-turned-coach, and mom, Eileen Hackney. She has been involved with the Andover Soccer Camp since she was 14, and has witnessed the changes.

Other than the large increase in the amount of campers, the major difference is the age of those attending. "Campers were older then. They're starting kids younger and younger now," she says. However, the philosophy of the camp remains the same: "have fun, teach soccer."

Keeping with tradition, two of Hackney's three children are now campers.

She insists that the reason the Andover Soccer Camp has survived is due to the organization and goals of the people involved — because they "are in it for the right reasons."

Twenty-five years ago Amundsen and Tarbox teamed up with then-Phillips coordinator Joe Wennik to create a soccer camp that would be financially feasible, coed, and create a bond between the communities.

Tarbox explains that Wennik is "the connecting point between us and Phillips. He was a real advocate of having kids utilize the PA facilities. Probably 95 percent of the kids would never have (had the opportunity to) come here." With Wennik's support, the Andover



PHOTOS BY TIM JEAN

Jorge Senabre tells his students when to attack and when to play defense at the Andover Soccer Camp. At left, Jonathan Earnshaw plays defense against an attacking Colin Hopkins.

Soccer Camp found a home at Phillips.

"From the very beginning it was a priority to be coed. We were aware of the fact that it was a tremendous responsibility to provide female coaching (because) they are role models — and that's the key isn't it?" says Wennik.

From the pool, audio-visual room, and dining halls, to "the cage," an indoor training facility, Phillips became the ideal location. "People think of it as being a closed and pretty exclusive place, and we wanted to open it up," says

Wennik.

In the 25 years since Amundsen and Tarbox started the program, things were bound to change. But as the saying goes, some things never do. Amundsen has been head coach of the Andover High men's soccer team for the entire time. His involvement with the sport started more than 50 years ago when he was 12, and he says he's stayed involved because of the people involved.

Despite the program's popularity, Amundsen admits that further expansion of the camp is unlikely.

"We're already using all of the time Phillips Academy allows us to use its facilities." The program is allotted a five-week time period, and each session is filled to its maximum capacity with 165 campers.

So what started as "an attempt to offer a low-cost camp for area kids," rallied to become one of the longest running soccer camps in the area.

According to Kuta, soccer's real goal was, "to build a relationship with the town, (where) everybody wins." Score.

Northeast Baseball League

Andover team made playoffs

By Rick Harrison

The Andover team in the Northeast Baseball League qualified for the post-season playoffs earlier this summer, where the locals were swept by Reading in a best-of-3 semifinal series.

Reading registered a 6-1 victory at Morton Field and won the series clincher 18-3 at the West Middle School Field.

League South Division champ Reading then advanced to a best-of-3 championship series against South Division runner-up Wakefield, which ousted North champ Chelmsford in the semifinals.

Andover finished the regular season second in the North Division with a 7-6-1 record.

Final week push

Andover nailed down its playoff berth in the final week of regular season play with a 5-5 tie against Billerica and a 13-5 romp over Wilmington.

"Every team in the division was still mathematically in con-

tention for the second playoff spot going into the last week," said Andover first-year manager Chris Capano. "We didn't clinch it until the Wilmington win."

Marty DeFrancisco was the sparkplug in that victory, belting a pair of triples and earning the pitching victory with four strong innings of work.

In the 5-5 tie with Billerica, Chris Caverly led the way for the locals with a triple, two singles and three stolen bases.

"We started off the year 1-3 and then won five straight," said Capano. "After that it was a dog-fight down the stretch for the playoff berth."

Andover defeated Lynnfield, Wilmington and Dracut twice each this summer, and registered a victory and tie against Billerica.

Beating Andover twice each were Chelmsford, Lowell and North Reading.

The team

The Northeast team was com-

prised of a mixture of Andover High varsity and junior varsity baseball players.

The complete 18-man roster included centerfielder A.J. Sisodia, leftfielder Adam Perry, shortstop Chris Caverly, third baseman Marty DeFrancisco, second baseman Jon Almon, catcher/first baseman Matt Waisnor, outfielder Dave Lamond, first baseman Mike Capano and outfielder Rich Capano (the manager's younger brothers), outfielder Andy Timko, pitcher Brian Daley, pitcher Pat Harrington, pitcher/outfielder Jordan Thibault, catcher Geoff Wiech, catcher Owen Fitzpatrick, pitcher/outfielder Brett Carroll, infielder Derek Power and infielder George Thorlin.

Perry, DeFrancisco and Almon were the team captains and also represented Andover in the annual mid-season North versus South Division All-Star Game played earlier this month at Wilmington High's Alumni Field (the North won, 7-5).

AHS FALL INFORMATION

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■ LEGION

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Regular Season

Following are writeups from several late-season games that did not appear in earlier *Townsmen* editions due to space constraints.

Andover 2 Lawrence 1

Pitching for the first time in more than a week, lefthander Kevin Shepard (4-0) was up to his old tricks as he fired a complete-game three-hitter and struck out

eight in this vital game for both teams at Aumais Park.

The loss eliminated Lawrence from playoff consideration as Post 15 closed out the season at 11-7.

All the scoring on both sides of this swiftly-moving contest was done in the first inning, as Shepard was nicked for an unearned run (two Andover errors) in the opening stanza and then blanked Post 15 over the final six innings.

Andover scored its two runs in the bottom of the first when Danny Hughes was hit by a pitch, Shepard sacrificed him to second and

Andy Salini clouted another mammoth two-out, two-run homer to right field.

Salini, who has hit the three longest balls launched at Aumais Park, hammered a shot over the outfielder's head that struck the chain link fence on one short hop. Salini raced around the bases and crossed the plate standing up — just as the relay throw from the outfield arrived at second base.

Lawrence pitcher Julio Ramos matched Shepard the rest of the way, whitewashing Andover on two hits over the next five innings.

Shepard was working on a one-hitter through six innings, but Lawrence made things interesting in the seventh with a pair of two-out, two-strike singles before Shepard fanned the final batter.

Salini finished the 88-minute game 2-for-2, while the only other Post 8 safeties were a single each by Chris Hanlon and Jeff Marshall.

Mark Matos made two outstanding plays at third base, and the Andover infield backed Shepard with a pair of double plays involving shortstop Hanlon, second baseman Smith and first base-

man Salini.

Andover 7 Lynn 1 (5 innings)

Jason White (1-0), with some fifth-inning relief help from a well-rested Kevin Shepard, picked up his first pitching win while Chris Hanlon's three-run triple in the top of the third provided all the runs necessary.

White pitched four shutout innings, allowing five singles, and then hit a fifth-inning snag when Post 345 loaded the bases with no outs. Shepard entered at this point, and, after walking the first batter to force in a run, he struck out the next three to preserve the victory.

Danny Hughes contributed a two-run double in the fifth after the locals had notched a solo tally in the fourth. Post 8 managed only four hits but made the most of them, as Shepard and Mark Matos also had one safety each. Matos scored two runs while Shepard, Hughes, Hanlon, Jeff Volinski and Pat Linneman each scored once.

Matos was a defensive standout at third base and right fielder Marshall threw out a Lynn baserunner at the plate.

Andover 2 Methuen 0

Jon Shaw (2-0) tossed Andover's fifth shutout of the season, allowing only three singles while striking out four and issuing no walks. He faced only 23 batters, two over the minimum. No Methuen baserunner made it beyond first.

Shaw retired the first nine in a row, carried a one-hitter into the sixth and set the side down in order in the first, second, third and seventh innings. Eleven of the Methuen outs came on ground balls and he threw just 77 pitches.

"The game was over in about 90 minutes," said manager Iarrobino. "We were in and out of there pretty quickly."

"We were also flawless on defense behind Jon. I can't recall the last time we played that well in the field."

Infielders Sean Smith (second base), Chris Hanlon (shortstop), Mark Matos (third base) and Kevin Shepard (first base) combined for 11 assists. Rightfielder Jeff Marshall threw out Methuen catcher Jeff Parker trying to stretch a single to a double, firing a strike to shortstop Hanlon who applied the tag.

Post 8 centerfielder Danny Hughes ran down a gap shot in left-center with a Post 122 runner on first to rob the batter of extra bases and preserve the shutout.

"Shaw has never been better," said Iarrobino. "He's 16 years old and he's not overpowering. But he throws strikes. One of their three hits was a bunt."

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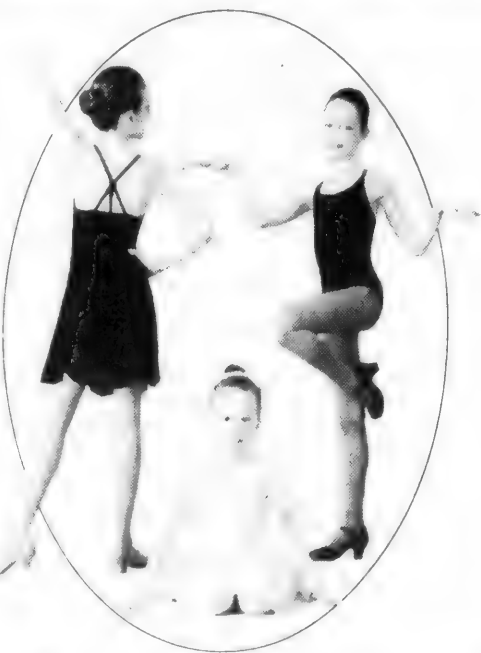
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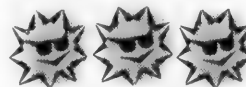
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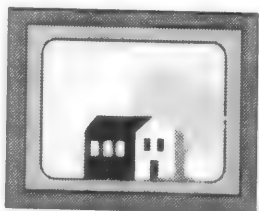
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Andover - Great New Price \$94,900! Mint studio at Washington Park! Freshly painted and carpeted! Nothing to do but move in and enjoy the easy living. Call Jeannette Belben x150.



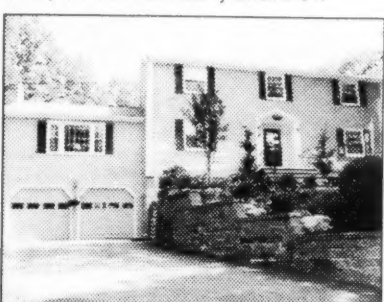
Andover - One Sweeney Court. Meticulously updated 7 room Colonial in move-in condition! Small well manicured lawn with little upkeep. Living room, dining room, den, 3 bedroom, 2 designer-tiled baths, fully applianced kitchen, mudroom and patio. Terrific location, walk to commuter rail & town. Motivated seller. **\$329,900.** Call/Visit Audrey Orrell x131.



Andover - New Price \$344,900! Attention all boat enthusiasts and 1st time home buyers, this 7 room Cape has direct frontage on Fosters Pond! South School district, hardwoods, fireplace, finished lower level, 1.5 baths and great privacy. Call Jeannette Belben x150.



Andover - Great New Price \$349,900! 7 room, 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath Gambrel that offers privacy and easy access to Rt. 93. Front/back fireplaced living room, eat-in kitchen, three season porch, formal living room and dining room. Front/back master bedroom with Hollywood bath. Call Bill Buck x145.



Andover - Wonderful location for this pristine center entrance Colonial set on cul-de-sac with proximity to Phillips Academy. Lush estate-like grounds, custom cherry cabinets in kitchen with corian counters, expansive foyer, French doors, formal living room and dining room, spacious front/back fireplaced family room, 3 fireplaces, hardwood floors, new windows. **\$625,000.** Call EJ Perdigao x154.



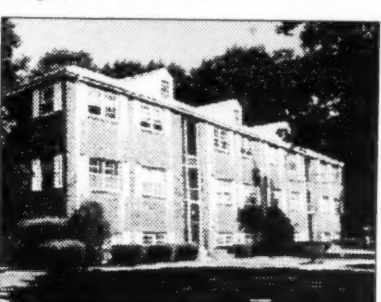
Andover - 3 Atwood Lane! Picture perfect Colonial on beautifully manicured lot. Light, bright and open floor plan includes living room, dining room, 1st floor office with built-ins, front/back fireplaced family room, updated kitchen with center island, master suite with cathedral ceiling. **\$749,900.** Call/Visit Margaret O'Connor x134.



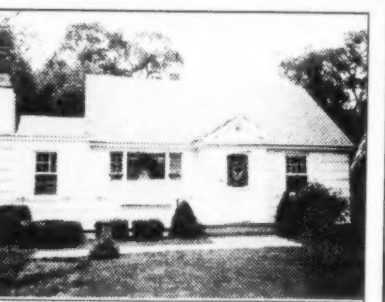
Andover - Super New Price \$374,900! 6 room, 3 bedroom in Johnson Acres. Fireplaced living room and dining room, eat-in kitchen, fireplaced family room in lower level and 2 car garage. Call Bill Buck x145.



Andover - Wow, what a value at \$449,900! 9 room, 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath Garrison Colonial at end of cul-de-sac. This home offers hardwood floors, finished walk-up attic, living room, dining room, fireplaced family room, master bedroom with private bath, built-in 16x32 pool. Call Norma Hyder x130.



North Andover - Just Listed! 2nd floor end unit! Prime location at rear of complex backs to trees. Neutral living room with sliders to balcony. Updated fully applianced eat-in kitchen, spacious bedrooms, bright bath with whirlpool tub. **\$149,900.** Call Mary Reynolds x132.



North Andover - Craving the country? 7 room Cape with flexible floor plan set on an oversized level lot offers 3-4 bedrooms, 1.5 bath, fireplaced living room, hardwood floors, fully applianced kitchen, relaxing weekends are made on the wonderful rear porch. New Price **\$314,900.** Call Carla Burns x143.



North Andover - Reduced to \$505,000! Lovely pristine Colonial with 8 room, 3+ bedroom, 2.5 bath, wood floors, central air, corner fireplace in living room, large family room with French doors, master bath with European bidet, bonus room or 4th bedroom with cathedral ceiling & skylight. Call Norma Hyder x130.



North Andover - Construction is underway! Stop by and see this 10 room, 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath Colonial with 9' ceilings, gourmet kitchen, 2 fireplaces, hardwood floors, central air, all located in a fantastic family filled cul-de-sac. 3 car garage, town sewer and great wooded lot! **\$774,900.** Call John Cusack x141.



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METHUEN - Craftsmanship and charm! 4 bedroom 1920's Colonial, beamed ceilings, columns, detail moldings, fireplace, built-ins, hardwood floors, updated baths, 2 car garage. Tree lined neighborhood street. **\$209,900**

Rosemary Draper

OPEN SUNDAY 1-3!



NORTH ANDOVER - 25 Colgate Dr. **NEW PRICE!** Well built open concept Ranch on large level lot in desirable neighborhood. Spacious rooms, new roof and windows, vinyl siding, oversized garage, enclosed finished porch. Room for expansion. **\$294,900**

Ellen Yurko



ANDOVER - Picturesque Cape with freshly painted interior and vinyl sided exterior. Fireplaced living room, formal dining room, large family room loaded with windows, 2 full baths, private backyard. **\$379,900**

Libby Webb

JUST LISTED!



ANDOVER - Eight room Garrison in desirable neighborhood convenient to town. Fireplaced living room, family room off kitchen, 4 bedrooms, 2 car attached garage, town services, large level lot. Needs some work. **\$389,900**

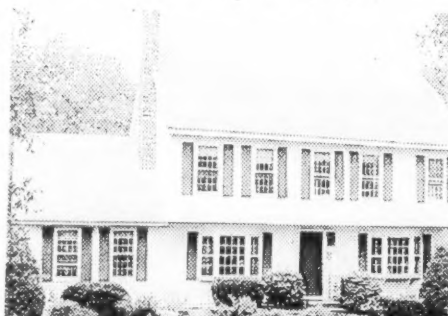
Elaine Carson

OPEN SUNDAY 12-2!



NORTH ANDOVER - 754 Boxford St. Traditional 8 room Colonial freshly painted and in move-in condition. Located in private setting yet just minutes from shopping, schools and highways! Great new price! **\$449,900**

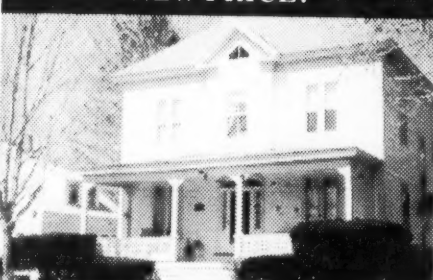
Bernadette Gibson



ANDOVER - Exceptional 9 room Colonial on country cul-de-sac near town and commuter routes. Family room plus beamed ceiling great room, oak kitchen, 3 season room, 24' sun-deck, lots of hardwood! **\$504,900**

Rosemary Draper

NEW PRICE!



ANDOVER - Walk to town from this well maintained and gracious Victorian home overlooking the park! Nearly 2800 sq. ft. with leaded glass, fireplace, built-ins, lots of hardwood, high ceilings - a real charmer! **\$529,900**

Deb Kelso



ANDOVER - Spacious 9 room Colonial with gleaming hardwood floors, fabulous light oak kitchen, French doors to 4 season room, big fireplaced family room plus finished playroom in lower level. **\$545,000**

Maureen Mano

JUST LISTED!



ANDOVER - Carriage Chase! Wynwood built home in prime neighborhood walking distance to Sanborn School. Cherry cabinet kitchen, 3 season porch, family room plus great room, private yard, inground pool. **\$549,900**

Elaine Carson

JUST LISTED!



BOXFORD - Lovely 10+ room Garrison in impeccable condition - new granite kitchen with red birch cabinetry, fresh neutral decor - 2+ private wooded acres with more land available. **\$579,900**

Sandra Pinkham

JUST LISTED!



ANDOVER - Delightful light and bright custom built home with generous sized rooms, pickled oak kitchen, fireplaced cathedral ceiling family room plus big playroom with French doors to patio, super neighborhood. **\$799,900**

Bunny Maren

OPEN SUNDAY 1-3!



NORTH ANDOVER - 30 Ironwood Rd. Custom 4300 sq. ft. Post & Beam Contemporary, 24' soaring ceilings, walls of glass, 2 story free-standing brick fireplace, 1st floor master with marble bath plus possible 2nd floor master, private cul-de-sac. **\$799,900**

Elaine Carson

OPEN SUNDAY 11-1!



ANDOVER - 2 Blueberry Hill. Stunning 10 room Colonial in desirable PA location. 3 levels of living space loaded with extras! Fantastic great room, extra large kitchen, luxurious master suite, wonderful yard on cul-de-sac. **\$829,000**

Rosemary Draper

LAST LOT LEFT!



Facsimile Photo



BOXFORD - Outstanding quality built 4300 sq. ft. Colonial home on a 2 acre lot in neighborhood setting. Many upgrades include 2 fireplaces, granite kitchen, central air, wonderful details and much more! **\$920,000**

Bernadette Gibson

NEW PRICE!



BOXFORD - Quality built custom designed 11 room home in private 6.6+ acre estate setting - beautifully landscaped with heated gunite pool, waterfall, hot tub and heated cabana! **\$1,350,000**

Sandra Pinkham



ANDOVER - Country Club living in the heart of the town! This stunning one of a kind custom Colonial overlooks the 2nd hole of Andover Country Club and is in a prime location near town and schools. **\$2,000,000**

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NEW LISTING!



ANDOVER, 1st ad!
Wonderful intown location!
Front to back fireplaced living room
Dining room with builtins
7 rooms - 3/4 bedrooms - full basement
Screened porch - level back yard
Another new listing by Carol Hopkinson x120
chopkinson@andoverliving.com \$335,000

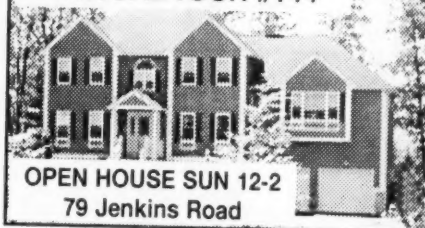
NEW LISTING!



OPEN HOUSE SUN 1-3
477 South Main Street

ANDOVER, 1st ad!
Darling Cape on private 1/2 acre!
Pretty yard with arbor, gardens & fishpond
Large eat-in kitchen has adjoining sunroom
7 rooms - 3 bedrooms - 1.5 baths
Replacement windows - nice deck
Another new listing by Beth Poulo x221
bpoulo@andoverliving.com \$309,900

VIRTUAL TOUR #144



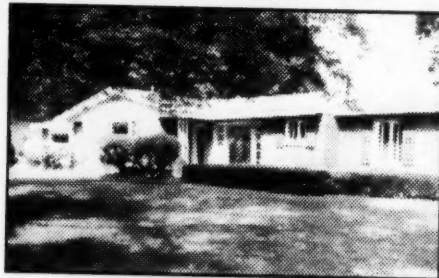
OPEN HOUSE SUN 12-2
79 Jenkins Road

ANDOVER, Beautiful Lot!
Pristine condition - Move right in!
Beautifully designed & decorated
9 RM - 4 BR - 3.5 BA - 3+ Acres
FP lam rm - Sunny Kit - HW flrs
Sec sys - CAir - Finished LL
Another new listing by Janice Furey x246
jfurey@andoverliving.com \$664,900

CIRCA 1809



ANDOVER, This Old House!
Flint Corliss House circa 1809
Beautiful period details still intact
Needs Loving Restoration
addition includes 2 car garage w/apr
14 rm - 6+ BR - 2.5 BA - 5 FP
Another listing by Debbie Moore x238
dmoore@andoverliving.com \$824,900



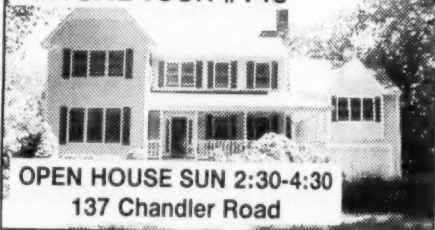
ANDOVER, Close to Town!
Terrific Shawsheen area location!
Brick ranch - cul-de-sac - level lot
2100+ liv. sp. - patio - deck - 7/3/2
Liv rm w/gas FP - open flr plan
Fam rm w/2nd bath off updated kit
Another new listing by Sup Papalia x209
spapalia@andoverliving.com \$329,900

VIRTUAL TOUR #143



ANDOVER, Prime Location!
Terrific open floor plan
9+ Rms - 4 BR - 2.5 BA - 3300+ sf
Updated kitchen w/JennAire
LR w/wetbar & FP - Light and bright throughout
Sunporch - Heated in ground pool
Another new listing by Maureen Collins x227
mcollins@andoverliving.com \$789,900

VIRTUAL TOUR #148



OPEN HOUSE SUN 2:30-4:30
137 Chandler Road

ANDOVER, New Cross School District!
Colonial with cozy farmers porch is set back 300 ft.
20' x 40' kitchen with birch cabinets - Fireplaced living room
1st floor room with bath & separate entrance
French doors to cedar deck with spectacular views
Family room with stone fireplace
9 rooms - 4 bedrooms - 2 baths - \$699,900
Another listing by Deborah Perrone x206



ANDOVER, Spectacular!
Landscaped private acre+ abuts state forest
Contemporary with inground pool, terrace & patio
Cathedral ceiling 33x18 dining area with wall to wall glass
11 rooms - 4 bedrooms - 2.5 baths - 4800+ living space
1st floor master with skylit marble bath/Jacuzzi
Another listing by JB Doherty x212
jdoherty@andoverliving.com \$1,195,000

VIRTUAL TOUR #136



OPEN HOUSE SUN 1-3
11 Keystone Way

ANDOVER, Has it all!
Interiors are second to none
13 RM - 5 BR - 4 BA - 4000+sf
Gourmet kitchen w/glass encased cabs
Dramatic foyer - 1st flr office - HW
Fin LL for in-law or au pair suite
Another new listing by Lora Brown Horsley x201
lhorsley@andoverliving.com \$799,900

VIRTUAL TOUR #139



ANDOVER, Magnificent!
Most desirable executive neighborhood
11 RM - 5 BR - 4 BA - 4400 SF - 3 car gar
Marble foyer - Cherry kit - Luxurious Master
Formal LR, DR - Cozy library - FP Great Room
Lush landscaped grounds with stonework
Another listing by JB Doherty x212
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VIRTUAL TOUR #155



ANDOVER, Beauty!
Royal Barry Willis Design Cape
Quiet cul-de-sac location - 3/4 acre lot
Expandable walk-up attic w/center staircase
6/2/1.5 - 1232 sf liv sp - Private back yard
HW Floors - Alarm & Sprinkler Systems
Another listing by Jack Hewitt x228
jhewitt@andoverliving.com \$439,900

VIRTUAL TOUR #112



ANDOVER, Johnson Acres!
Huge family room with wet sink - sunroom
Professionally built sports court
Beautiful fireplaced living room w/adjacent dining room
Kitchen w/corner & view of yard & patio
10 rms - 4 BR - 3.5 BA - 2 car gar
Another listing by Chris Doherty x230
cdoherty@andoverliving.com \$729,900

VIRTUAL TOUR #087



ANDOVER, NEW CONSTRUCTION!
An OMEGA custom built home
Come see completed interior!
4100+ sq. ft. living space - extras galore
luxurious mstr w/48" x 72" marble whirlpool
10 rm - 4 BR - 2.5 BA - 3 car attached
Another listing by Chris Doherty x230
cdoherty@andoverliving.com - \$889,900

NEW CONSTRUCTION!

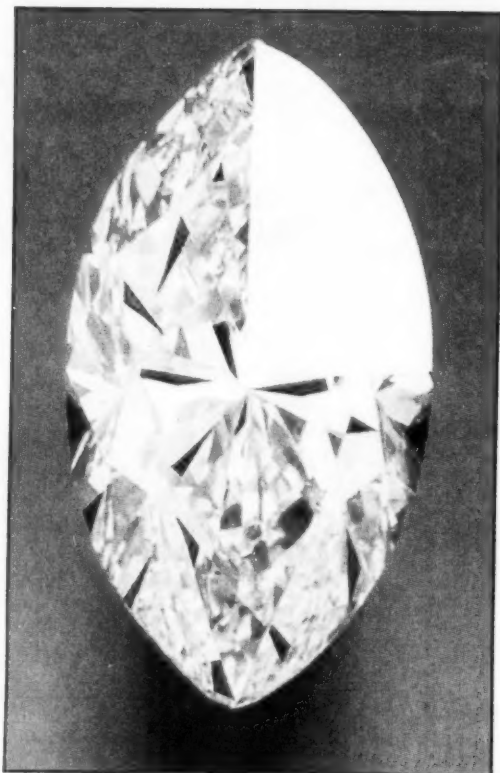


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ANDOVER, Exciting New Construction!
To be built - Master builder
Colonial in Harold Parker area
curved staircase - 3 car garage - 3400 sf liv sp
3.6 acres - great commuter location
10 rooms - 4 bedrooms - 2.5 baths
Another new listing by Nick Geranios x204
ngeranios@andoverliving.com \$829,900

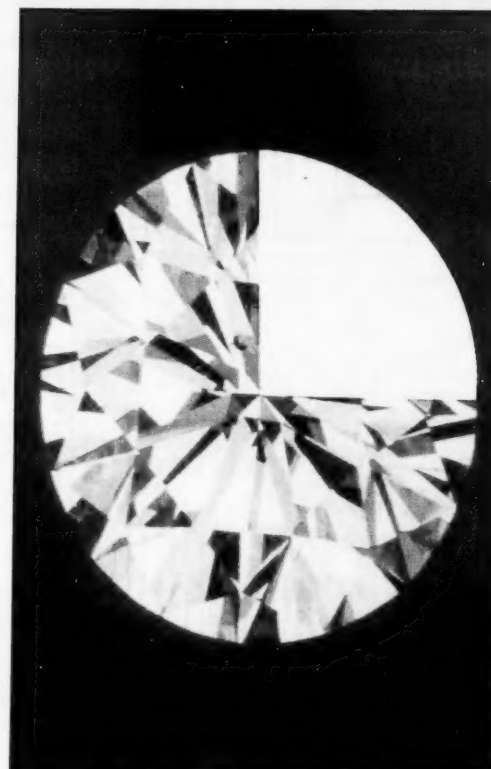
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